

WAC Code of Conduct

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Windsor Aquatic Club

Parent and Swimmer Code of Conduct - Updated January 2019

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The goals of the Windsor Aquatic Club are to develop a strong team and community spirit founded upon teamwork and good sportsmanship. Our Club must strive to project an image that will make all of its members proud of the team and of the sport of swimming, and to represent our community responsibly when at home or traveling.

Parent Code of Conduct

1. Demonstrate good sportsmanship by conducting myself in a manner that earns the respect of my child, other swimmers, parents, officials and the coaches at meets and practices. This includes making sure that my child/swimmer is punctual at practices, meets and team events.
2. Respect others, their property, the aquatic facilities and accommodations at our home facility and during travel events.
3. Ensure my child/swimmer is aware of and abides by the Swimmer's Code of Conduct.
4. As a club member, represent the Windsor Aquatic Club by supporting the swimmers, coaches and other parents with positive communication and actions.
5. During competitions, questions or concerns regarding decisions made by coaches or meet officials are only to be made to the coaching staff after the session is completed and in an area off the pool deck.
6. Remain in the area designated for spectators both at swim meets and during practices.
7. As a parent, I will not interrupt or confront the coaching staff on the pool deck during practice or meets. I will not coach or instruct the team or any swimmer at a practice or meets (from the stands or any other area) or interfere with coaches on the pool deck.
8. Use respectful and non-threatening language (including gestures) in all communications.
9. Obtain consent from the Head Coach prior to enrolling my child/swimmer in any additional competitive swim training during the Windsor Aquatic Club season.
10. Regularly monitor email communication from the Windsor Aquatic Club and submit requested forms in a timely manner.
11. Pay my child/swimmer registration and meet fees by the expected due dates.
12. Ensure that my mandatory Family Participation Requirement obligations are met.
13. Refrain from actions that violate the Criminal Code, the Human Rights Act and the Swim/Natation Canada harassment policy.
14. Maintain self-control at all times.

Know my role: Swimmers Swim / Coaches Coach / Officials Officiate / Parents Parent

As a parent of a swimmer and, thereby, a member of the Windsor Aquatic Club, I understand that a breach in the Code of Conduct can result in disciplinary measures considered appropriate by the Board of Directors and may include suspensions or expulsion from the club.

Swimmer Code of Conduct

Please note that it is the parent's responsibility to make sure that your child/swimmer is aware of and abides by the Swimmer's Code of Conduct.

1. Swimmers are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that shows respect for fellow swimmers, coaches, lifeguards, all officials and facilities, and everyone's personal property, at all times.
2. Swimmers are expected to attend work-outs scheduled by the coach and to be on time. If they know in advance that they will be missing a practice session, or will be late, they must inform the coach.
3. Swimmers are expected to refrain from acting in a way that could result in injuries (no horseplay) during dryland, in the pool, in locker rooms and on the pool deck.
4. Bullying (a form of repeated, persistent, aggressive behavior that is directed at an individual(s) that is intended to cause (or should be known to cause) fear, distress, and/or harm to another person's body, feelings, self-esteem or reputation) in any form will not be tolerated.
5. Swimmers are expected to help create a supportive atmosphere in both training and competitive settings. Treat all athletes as you would like to be treated.
6. Swimmers are expected to refrain from using profane, disrespectful or threatening language both in person and while using social media, towards other swimmers, coaches and officials. This includes interaction on social media platforms.
7. Swimmers are expected to refrain from being under the influence or possession of alcohol, social, non-prescription drugs. This includes the possession or use of cigarettes and e-cigarettes.
8. Swimmers are expected to have permission from the coach to leave the deck during practice or meets. (For safety reasons, the coach must know where swimmers are at all times.)
9. Swimmers must represent the Windsor Aquatic Club in a positive manner at all times. This applies to practice, during swim meets, team travel events and when interacting with teammates on social media platforms.
10. Be a good sport. Cheer your teammate's performances and treat other athletes, parents, officials and coaches with courtesy and respect at all times. This Code of Conduct is in effect during all WAC activities. Breach of the code can result in, but is not limited to, suspension from practice, suspension from competition, formal verbal or written apologies and any other form of disciplinary measure considered appropriate by the club.