



Parent's Code of Conduct

The purpose of a code of conduct for parents is to establish consistent expectations for behavior by parents. As a parent/guardian, I understand the important growth and developmental support that my child's participation fosters. I also understand that it is essential to provide the coaching staff with respect and the authority to coach the team. I agree with the following statements:

1. Parents are expected to practice teamwork with all parents, swimmers and coaches by supporting the values of discipline, loyalty, commitment and hard work, thus setting a great example for their swimmer and others.

2. Additionally, Parents of FINS swimmers are also representatives of the team and are therefore expected to adhere to the general code of conduct that the swimmers are required to adhere to.

- Criticizing, name-calling, use of abusive language or gestures directed toward the coaches, officials, parent volunteers and/or any participating swimmer will not be permitted or tolerated.

3. Maintain self-control, know the proper roles:

- Swimmers-Swim
- Coaches-Coach
- Officials-Officiate
- Parents-Parent

4. Parents are not allowed on deck at meets unless they are a designated worker or an official. If a parent is working at a meet, he or she cannot use that job assignment to contact their child.

5. Parents are not allowed on deck during practices at any location. Parents may watch practice in the spectator area when practices are at the Platt High School Pool. Additionally, contact with your child during practice is not allowed.

6. When practicing at any guest pool, parents/swimmers must park in the back of the facility. Additionally, all drivers (parents or swimmers) must drive slowly when entering the Platt High School parking lot and whenever they are on a guest pool campus.

7. The best method of communication with the coaches is either calling or emailing. Anyone wishing to have a meeting with the staff needs to set-up an appointment. Communication with the coach while at practice is restricted to before the first practice or after the last practice for that coach. There should not be any contact during practice or at meets. Often, the coaching staff has to go from one group to another.

- Contact information:

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8. Swimmers on the team cannot utilize the pool facility until directed to do so by a Coach.

The Parent's Code of Conduct is agreed to during completion of the Team Registration



Swimmers Code of Conduct

General Conduct/Practice Conduct

- All athletes are expected to show respect to Teammates and Coaches and to follow the directions of the Coaches at all times.
- Pool rules are to be followed at all times in all facilities.
- Use of proper language is expected at all times when representing the team.
- All athletes are expected to display the utmost sportsmanship to their fellow teammates and competitors.
- Possession or use of alcohol, tobacco, or any non-prescribed drug is prohibited.
- Adhere to general guidelines that promote a good learning environment, team building and improvement in performance skills.
- All swimmers driving themselves to practice must drive slowly in and out of all pool parking lots and at any point on the campuses and locations of practice.

Meet Conduct (including travel meets)

- Swimmers are expected to attend at least 80% off all the appropriate meets on the schedule.
- Swimmers need to show up 15 minutes prior to meet warm-up.
- Swimmers are expected to stay in the team area until they are released by the coach from the meet.
- Swimmers are expected to wear designated team clothing.
- Team members will display proper respect towards coaches, officials, fellow competitors, and the public, including facility managers, hotel staff, etc.
- At travel meets that are chaperoned, the curfews established by the staff will be adhered to by all athletes and team members will display the same respect to chaperones that is expected to the coaches.
- All Swimmers will obey all of USA Swimming's rules and codes of conduct.

Failure to comply with the Code of Conduct may result in financial restitution for any damages, being asked to leave practice, being sent home from a meet at the parent's expense, and/or dismissal from the team.

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Coach's Code of Conduct

The purpose of this code of conduct for Coaches is to establish common expectations for all members of the Coaching Staff of the Cheshire Y/Sea Dog Swim Club. It is to be used as a guide to promote a positive team environment and good sportsmanship.

- At all times, adhere to USA Swimming's rules and code of conduct.
- Set a good example of respect and sportsmanship for participants and fans to follow.
- Act and dress with professionalism and dignity in a manner suitable to his/her profession.
- Respect officials and their judgment and abide by the rules of the event.
- Treat opposing coaches, participants, and spectators with respect.
- Instruct participants in sportsmanship and demand that they display good sportsmanship.
- Coach in a positive manner and do not use derogatory comments or abusive language.
- Win with humility and lose with dignity.
- Treat every athlete fairly, justly, impartially, intelligently, and with sensitivity.
- Always place the well-being, health, and safety of swimmers above all other considerations, including developing performance.
- Continue to seek and maintain their own professional development in all areas in relation to coaching and teaching children.
- Always maintain a professional separation between coach and athlete.

Any complaints of a coach violating this code of conduct will be brought to the attention of his/her supervisor and/or the club's parents association.