

East Bay Aquatics Association

Parent Code of Conduct

Dear EBA Parents:

Our policies help to guide East Bay Aquatics Association (EBA) and ensure continued success. EBA is fortunate to have highly experienced, professional coaches working to develop children into better swimmers and more importantly, disciplined people. It is essential that all parents give our coaching staff the respect and authority they deserve to run our swim team. Our coaches are hired for that purpose and our coaches have every child's best interest at heart.

EBA encourages open communication between parents, swimmers, and coaches. EBA encourages parents to call, email, and/or set up meetings with coaches as needed. EBA encourages positive reinforcement of all swimmers in all situations. EBA encourages parental involvement in fundraising, approved social events, and swim meets.

The Parent Code of Conduct was developed as a standard to emphasize our organization's commitment to making everyone's involvement with our club a positive experience.

As a parent of a swimmer and member of East Bay Aquatics Association, I will abide by the following guidelines:

- I. Practice teamwork with all parents, swimmers, and coaches by supporting the values of Discipline, Loyalty, Commitment and Hard Work.
- II. As a parent, I will not coach or instruct the team or any swimmer at practice or meets (from the stands or any other area) or interfere with coaches on the pool deck.
- III. As a parent, I understand that open criticism, abusive treatment, abusive language, or gestures directed toward the coaches, officials, and/or any participating swimmer will not be permitted or tolerated.
- IV. I understand that during competitions, questions or concerns regarding decisions made by meet officials are directed to a member of our coaching staff. Parents address officials via the coaching staff only.
- V. I understand that I am welcome to watch practice from the stands and that I should not interrupt a coach during practice unless I have an emergency.
 - The USA Swimming Insurance Coverage for club's state: "Anyone on deck during a swim team practice must be a certified USA Swimming Coach or USA Swimming registered athlete members assisting a coach." The coach must ALWAYS maintain direct line of sight and supervision. For this safety and insurance coverage, parents are welcome to watch practice in the stands only.

Sanctions: EBA maintains the right to terminate any membership with cause in the interest of our vision, mission, and objectives.

PRINT NAME _____

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____