



As stated in our Core Beliefs¹, the Sea Devils Board of Directors is committed to providing a positive, competitive, and sportsmanlike environment for our young swimmers. While this environment is created by the attitudes of other swimmers and our coaches, the most influential behavior is that of you, the parent. Because of this influence, the Sea Devils Swimming Board of Directors requires that you read, understand, and commit to following the Parent Code of Conduct.

PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

As a parent and member of the Sea Devils Swim Club, I hereby agree to:

1. Practice teamwork and sportsmanship by supporting the Core Beliefs of our swim club.
2. Remain off the pool deck during practices and meets.
3. Communicate with coaches or Board of Directors honestly, openly, and in a mature manner at an appropriate time and place (i.e. email, cell phone, or by appointment)
4. Respect coaches' decisions and teach children to do likewise. I will remember that swimmers swim, coaches coach, and parents support.
5. Show appreciation for coaches and administrators because without them, my child could not participate.
6. Remember that children learn best by example.
7. Encourage children to participate; I will not force them. Remember that they participate in sports for their enjoyment, not my own
8. Refrain from coaching my child or other swimmers during meets and practices.
9. Focus on the child's efforts and performance rather than winning or losing, especially for the younger age groups.
10. Encourage children to follow the rules and settle disagreements without resorting to hostility or violence.
11. Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a competition; appreciate good performances by all participants.
12. Respect the rights, dignity, and worth of every young person regardless of their age, gender, ability, cultural background, or religion.
13. Promote the emotional and physical well-being of all swimmers ahead of any personal desire that I may have for my child to win.
14. Refrain from criticizing, name-calling, use of abusive language or gestures directed toward coaches, officials, participating swimmer or swimming parent, and any volunteer associated with the meet.
15. Volunteer as requested and realize that without me, fundraising and meets will not happen.
16. Promote a sports environment that is free from drugs, tobacco, alcohol, and bullying.

I also agree that if I fail to abide by the aforementioned rules and guidelines, I will be subject to disciplinary action that could include, but is not limited to:

- Verbal or written warning by any coach or member of Sea Devils Board of Directors.
- Suspension of parent and/or swimmer from any practice or meets with written documentation kept on file.
- Dismissal of swimmer from the Sea Devils Swim Club by any member of the Sea Devils Board of Directors.



By signing below, I (we) agree that all guardians for the child are aware of the policies and the Parent Code of Conduct and consent to the same.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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1. Sea Devils Swim Club (fka STMA Swimming) Core Beliefs are located on the club website at www.seadevilsswimming.org under the “About” tab.