Sailfish Coach Code of Conduct

*As a Coach for the Sailfish Swim Team, I will abide by the following code of conduct:*

1. Demonstrate good sportsmanship by conducting myself in a manner that earns the respect of the athletes, parents, officials and the coaches at meets and practices.
2. As a coach, I will maintain my required certifications in a timely manner. (E.g. USA membership- including yearly background check, education requirements, updating CPR and LGT as needed, yearly athlete protection class and concussion protocol class.
3. Maintain self-control at all times and know my role. Swimmers – Swim; Coaches – Coach; Officials – Officiate; Parents –Parent
4. Enjoy involvement with the Sailfish Swim Team by supporting the swimmers, other coaches and parents with positive communications & actions & respect.
5. Any meetings with minor athletes must be observable and interruptible by another adult. No one-on-one meetings can occur unless the room has a windows and unlocked/open doors and never can be conducted in a hotel room or overnight lodging location during team travel.
6. Electronic communication directly with athletes is prohibited unless a parent/guardian is included in the communication and cannot take place during the hours of 9pm-6am. The only exception would be in emergency situations and a parent/guardian must be included.
7. Social media must be professional and not used to send private, instant or direct messages to minor athletes.
8. As a coach, I understand that I cannot transport an unrelated minor athlete by themselves. There must always be at least two minor athletes or another adult in the vehicle, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the minor athlete’s legal guardian.
9. As a coach, I understand that criticizing, name-calling, use of abusive language or gestures directed toward the parents, other coaches, officials, and/or any participating swimmer will not be permitted or tolerated.

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