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**TEAM TRAVEL POLICY – CODE OF CONDUCT**

**PURPOSE**

Athletes are most vulnerable to misconduct during travel, particularly overnight stays. This includes a high risk of athlete-to-athlete misconduct. During travel, athletes are often away from their families and support networks, and the setting (new changing areas, locker rooms, workout facilities, automobiles and hotel rooms) is less structured and less familiar. The purpose of this policy is to encourage and develop the highest quality character traits at all times during a team travel trip to produce the best possible individual, team, and program outcomes.

**GENERAL CODE OF CONDUCT RULES**

1. All participating team members will abide by this code of conduct.
2. Athletes will wear designated team suits and T-shirts during all competition.
3. Athletes must swim every race to the best of their ability.
4. Athletes must compete in all championship finals in which they qualified for unless discussed and otherwise agreed upon with their coach.
5. Athletes are to refrain from use of inappropriate language.
6. Curfews will be obeyed and enforced with room checks.
7. Athletes must remain with the team at all times during the trip. Athletes are not to leave the competition venue, hotel, restaurant, or any other place at which the team has gathered without the permission/knowledge of the coach or chaperone.
8. Male and female athletes may under no circumstances be in each other's room.
9. Athletes are to refrain from inappropriate physical contact.
10. The possession or use of tobacco, alcohol or any illegal drug is unacceptable and will not be tolerated.
11. Medications other than those prescribed by your physician are unacceptable.
12. Disrespectful, indiscreet or destructive behavior will not be tolerated. It is the responsibility of each athlete to make every effort to avoid guilt by association with such activities at any time during the trip.
13. All directions and decisions made by coaches or chaperones are final.

**VIOLATION OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT RULES**

At the discretion of the Head Coach, any or all of the following disciplinary actions may be enforced:

1. Scratched from an event, for a day of the meet, or for the entire meet.
2. Dismissal from the trip and immediately sent home at the athlete's expense.
3. Financial penalties.
4. Suspended from future team travel trips. 5. Suspension or dismissal from the team.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ hereby agree to abide by the rules of conduct as set forth in Part I above and acknowledge that, should I violate any provision in Part I, I will be subject to disciplinary action, as set forth in Part II.

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Signature of Swimmer

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Date

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Signature of Parent/Guardian

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Date