

**SOUTH DAKOTA SWIMMING, INC.**  
**CODE OF CONDUCT**

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR SDLSC SWIMMERS GOVERNING PARTICIPATION IN THE PROGRAM AND THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE SWIM YEAR.

**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this code is to promote the best possible individual, team, and program responsibility which supports the development of first class citizens at all times.

**PART I – GENERAL CODE OF CONDUCT RULES**

1. All participating team members will abide by this code of conduct.
2. All participants will wear designated team suits and T-shirts during all competition.
3. All athletes will participate in all designated championship meets they are qualified for.
4. Curfews at team travel events, as a member of SD-LSC or USA Swimming sponsored event and at all related activities will be obeyed. Extension will only be granted by the Head Coach. Curfew is not enforced if participant is with parents.
5. Male and Female swimmers may not be in each other's room on any team trip unless supervised by designated Club official.
6. Use of alcoholic beverages is unacceptable at any time during the swim year.
7. Use of drugs other than those prescribed by your physician is unacceptable at any time during the year.
8. Smoking is unacceptable at any time during the year.
9. Disrespectful, indiscreet or destructive behavior will not be tolerated. It is the responsibility of each swimmer to make every effort to avoid guilt by association with such activities at any time during the year.
10. All participants and their parents have a responsibility to do their best to ensure that this Code of Conduct is adhered to and to help ensure the safety of these Program participants.

**PART II- VIOLATION OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT RULES**

1. **At the discretion of the Head Coach** any one or all of the following penalties will be applied:
2. Swimmer may be scratched from the meet.
3. Swimmer may be sent home immediately from practice or meet at his own expense and if there is extra expense it will be swimmer's responsibility.
4. Swimmer may be suspended from the team until the swimmer and parents have had a conference with the Head Coach and appropriate disciplinary actions have been implemented. This is automatic with violations of General Conduct Rules 5, 6, 7 and (or) 8.
5. Violation of General Conduct Rules 4,5,6,7,8,and (or) 9 on team trips will result in the swimmer being suspended from ALL team trips for the remainder of the swim year and/or a specific period determined by the Head Program Coach.

I, herby 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, including suspension.

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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

**EXHIBIT 18 (4/6/13)**