

Parent Code of Conduct

As a parent of a swimmer and member of Huntsville Swim Association, I will abide by the following guidelines:

- I. Practice *teamwork* with all parents, swimmers and coaches by supporting the values of
- II. *Discipline, Loyalty, Commitment and Hard Work.*
- III. As a parent, I will not coach or instruct the team or any swimmer at a practice or meets (from the stands or any other area) or interfere with coaches on the pool deck.
- IV. Demonstrate good sportsmanship by conducting myself in a manner that earns the respect of my child, other swimmers, parents, officials and the coaches at meets and practices.
- V. Maintain self-control at all times. Know my role.

Swimmers – Swim
Coaches – Coach
Officials – Officiate
Parents – Parent

- VI. As a parent, I understand that criticizing, name-calling, use of abusive language or gestures directed toward the coaches, officials, and/or any participating swimmer will not be permitted or tolerated.
- VII. Enjoy involvement with Huntsville Swim Association by supporting the swimmers, coaches and other parents with positive communication and actions.
- VIII. 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.
- IX. Make sure that both a coach is present, and a practice is scheduled before leaving athletes at the pool.
- X. **Sanctions.** Should I conduct myself in such a way that brings discredit or discord to Huntsville Swim Association, or USA Swimming, I voluntarily subject myself to disciplinary action. HSA maintains the right to terminate any membership with/without cause in the interest of our vision, mission and objectives.

Inappropriate behavior by a parent member will not be tolerated.

The HSA Parent Board will review all incidents involving parent/member violations of the HSA Code of Conduct. Violations of the HSA Code of Conduct by a Parent may be subject to the families' dismissal from the team with no refund given. Parent Board decision will be final.