



# San Antonio Wave Swim Suit Policy

In light of the recent events in USA Swimming and other sports across the world, we are taking steps to prevent swimmers, coaches, or members of the San Antonio Wave and USA Swimming being placed in difficult, uncomfortable, or compromising (real or perceived) situations.

Some of the popular new styles and designs in the swimwear industry have far less coverage than others. It has become apparent that some styles have caused coaches, swimmers, and members to feel very uncomfortable while on the pool deck.

Practice is for competitive training with a focus on excelling in the sport. As some new suit styles/designs have become distracting to other swimmers, coaches, and members, we ask each swimmer take this into consideration when buying practice and team suits.

Each company typically offers suits with varying levels of coverage. We ask the suits worn at Wave practices and competitions be of full coverage and are in accordance with the National Federations of State High School Association rules: SECTION 3 UNIFORMS, ART. 1 . . . It is recommended all swimmers and divers on the team wear ..... **Suits made of one piece. A competitor shall not be permitted to participate wearing a suit that is not of decent appearance. Boys shall wear suits which cover the buttocks. Girls shall wear suits which cover the buttocks and breasts.**

It has been agreed upon by the Board and coaches to put into effect a measurable standard for coverage: a minimum of 7-inches in width of material for the narrowest part of the suit which should cover the full buttocks divide. This will be the consistent standard if suit coverage is in question.

**All swimmers will only be permitted to wear ONE piece fixed back or SELF-tie back suits at all practices and site locations. Transparent suits will not be permitted.**

Offenders of this policy will be removed from the pool and asked to put on a suit which is deemed appropriate according to the stated rules/standard. A second offense will result in a conference with the swimmer and parent. A third offense will result in suspension from the team for a time deemed appropriate by the head coach and site director.

In continued observance of Safe Sport Policy, we need to work together for the safety of all our swimmers.

Thank you for your support and understanding of this sensitive situation.

San Antonio Wave Board of Directors