



EAST COAST AQUATIC TEAM

PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

The purpose of this code is to promote responsibility among team members and to project a positive image of East Coast Aquatic Team and its members at all times. By signing this Code of Conduct, you agree to comply with its requirements at all ECAT related events or while representing ECAT in any capacity.

PART I – GENERAL CODE OF CONDUCT RULES

1. ECAT Parents and family members are to represent East Coast Aquatic Team in a positive manner at all times, realizing that inappropriate behavior reflects badly upon all team members and on the team as a whole.
2. Parents shall be respectful of all individuals, including coaches, USA officials, other parents, members of ECAT as well as members of other teams at all times.
3. Parents shall dress appropriately at all times while representing East Coast Aquatic Team.
4. Parents shall not use inappropriate or foul language both on the pool deck and off.
5. Parents shall follow the direction of the Head Coach and coaching staff at ECAT activities, and will respect and follow the facility and safety procedures applicable at each training or competition location.
6. Parents shall comply with all rules, regulations, by-laws and requirements of ECAT, Virginia Swimming, and USA Swimming.
7. Parents shall not use or be under the influence of alcohol or drugs, other than those prescribed by your physician, at any ECAT related activity, except, however, Parents may responsibly consume alcohol, at specific designated ECAT social events, or when athletes are not present. Parents shall not smoke at any ECAT related activity.
8. Parents shall not engage in any inappropriate conduct with athletes and shall comply with ECAT's Athlete Protection Policy at all times.
9. Disrespectful, indiscreet or destructive behavior will not be tolerated. Verbal or physical altercations or abuse will not be tolerated, and may be grounds for immediate expulsion.
10. All parents have a responsibility to encourage all other ECAT members and athletes to adhere to the Code of Conduct to help ensure the safety of all program participants.

PART II- VIOLATION OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT RULES

1. The Head Coach or senior coach on deck shall have the discretion to ask the Parent to leave the practice, meet, or function where the offense has occurred.
2. Any violation of the General Rules by a Parent shall be referred to the President, Vice-President or Head Coach, who shall attempt to discuss the violation with the parent in a civil and respectful manner. Any disciplinary action shall be documented.
3. Should the problem continue, it shall be referred to the ECAT Executive Committee, who shall document the violation, and may exercise its discretion in suspending the parent from participating in ECAT related activities, including but not limited to: practice, meets, team trips, social activities, chaperone functions, and participation in meets in any official capacity. Serious or repeated offenses of the General Rules may result in the termination of membership. The Parent and family agree to abide by the final decisions made.

I agree to abide by this Code of Conduct, and acknowledge that, should any violations will be subject to disciplinary action, including suspension or revocation of membership status in East Coast Aquatic Team.

Signature of Parent/Guardian Date

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