



Travel and Transportation Policy

The Flashes Aquatics Travel policy is designed for the safety of all club swimmers and coaches when traveling.

Section 1 - USA Swimming Required Policies

Club and LSC travel policies must include these policies. These items are Code of Conduct stipulations in the USA Swimming Rulebook.

- a) Club travel policies must be signed and agreed to by all athletes, parents, coaches and other adults traveling with the club. (305.5.D)
- b) Team managers and chaperones must be members of USA Swimming and have successfully passed a USA Swimming-administered criminal background check. (305.5.B)
- c) Regardless of gender, a coach shall not share a hotel room or other sleeping arrangement with an athlete (unless the coach is the parent, guardian, sibling, or spouse of that particular athlete). (305.5.A)
- d) When only one athlete and one coach travel to a competition, the athlete must have his/her parents' (or legal guardian's) written permission in advance to travel alone with the coach. (305.5C)

It is hereby the stated policy of Flashes Aquatics that transportation of swimmers and/or coaches to practice, meets, or any other event considered to be a club function by any non-public conveyance, as defined to include privately owned vehicles, is recognized by Flashes Aquatics as a purely private agreement between the parties involved and that neither the Flashes Aquatic club, nor the Flashes Aquatics Board of Directors, separately or as a group, except for the parties directly involved can be or will be considered as a party to such arrangement and that any liability to any form arising from such arrangement is purely and completely the responsibility of the parties involved.

Below is written authorizations (when applicable) for minor athletes to travel with authorized adults:

Local Transportation

I, _____, legal guardian of _____, a minor athlete, give express written permission, and grant an exception to the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy for _____, an unrelated Applicable Adult to provide local vehicle transportation to _____ (minor athlete) to _____ (destination) on _____ (date(s)) at _____ (approximate time), and further acknowledge that this written permission is valid only for the transportation on the specified date and to the specified location.

Legal Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Travel to Competition

I, _____, legal guardian of _____, a minor athlete, give express written permission, and grant an exception to the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy for _____ (minor athlete), to travel with _____ (Applicable Adult), to travel from _____ (point of origin) to _____ (destination) to attend the _____ (name of competition) from _____ to _____ (dates of travel to competition). I acknowledge that _____ (minor athlete) cannot share a hotel room, sleeping arrangement or other overnight lodging location with _____ (Applicable Adult) at any time. I further acknowledge that this written permission is valid only for the dates and location specified herein.

Legal Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____