



CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PARENTS

1. I will complete and return the Medical Information Form as requested by the club and provide details of any health conditions/concerns relevant to my child on the consent form. I will report any changes in the state of my child's health to the coach prior to training sessions or events, as well as ensuring any information that requires updating on the Medical Information Form is highlighted. I will ensure that the club has up-to-date contact details for me and for any alternative person(s) as required.
2. I will deliver and collect my child punctually to and from training sessions/events. I will inform a member of the committee or coaching staff if there is an unavoidable problem.
3. If the club makes changes to my child's training during sessions, for example changing the lane, set etc., I will remember that the change is to provide appropriate levels of training and to enable my child to progress, and I should therefore support and encourage this at all times.
4. I will ensure my child is properly and adequately attired for the training session/ events including all mandatory equipment, e.g. hats, goggles, etc. Should the attire be found to be inappropriate, I will agree to make the necessary changes to suit the requirements of the club.
5. I will ensure that my child acts in a responsible manner at all times, especially in the changing rooms and communal leisure centre areas, ensuring they are good ambassadors of the club.
6. I will inform the coach/poolside helper before a session if my child is to be collected early from a training session/event and if so, by whom, providing the reason for the early withdrawal.
7. I will encourage my child to obey the rules and teach them that they can only do their best. I will also abide by the rules and accept that the coaching team are the best qualified to make the necessary rules/decisions.
8. I will behave responsibly as a spectator during training/events and treat members, coaches, committee members and other parents of members of both my child's club and any other organisation with due respect, in accordance with the Swim England commitment to equality and diversity.
9. I will not use inappropriate language within the club environment or surrounding areas at any time.
10. I will show appreciation and support my child and all the team members.
11. I will ensure my child's needs are met in terms of nutrition and I will listen to advice given by the coach/nutritionist. I will ensure my child has a minimum of one drinks bottle (2 for performance squad swimmers) at every session. This should be water or squash - No pure juice or fizzy drinks.



12. I will support the coach and committee appropriately and raise any concerns I may have in an appropriate manner to the Welfare Officer. Details of the Club Welfare Officer can be found on www.leicestersharks.co.uk
13. I will not enter poolside unless requested to do so or in an emergency.
14. I will not place anything on social media that could be seen as detrimental to the club and/or any athlete, coach or other member of the club.
15. If I wish to have a discussion with the coach, I will check with the Welfare Officer as to how this can be arranged, or arrange a meeting with the coach at a convenient time and not impacting on any training sessions. Meetings may not be held poolside.
16. Most of all, I will help my child to enjoy the sport and to achieve to the best of their ability.

The organisation will:

1. Inform you at once if your child becomes ill and will ensure their wellbeing until you are able to collect him/her.
2. Ensure good child safeguarding guidelines are followed at all times to keep your child safe.
3. Ensure all activities are properly supervised/ taught/coached and that consent is obtained for any activity outside of that previously agreed.
4. Bring to your attention, should it be felt that you are acting inappropriately/using bad language/being disrespectful to any other members of the club, parents and/or members of Swim England. Depending of the severity, you may be asked to leave the club/premises with immediate effect. This could lead to exclusion.

The parent has a right to:

1. Make a complaint to the club if they feel the club or a member of the club is not acting appropriately. Details of how to do this can be obtained from the Welfare Officer.
2. Make a complaint on behalf of their child to the Swim England Office of Judicial Administration.

ANY MISDEMEANORS AND/OR BREACH OF THIS CODE OF CONDUCT WILL BE DEALT WITH BY THE CLUB AND MAY RESULT IN EXCLUSION FROM THE CLUB

This code is an extension to the Swim England Code of Ethics. Both should be followed.

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