
WOKING SWIMMING CLUB



Affiliated to: Swim England, Swim England South East Region & Surrey County ASA

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Parents' Code of Conduct

This version of the policy outlines additional safeguards for social distancing and infection risk mitigation as required during the COVID-19 pandemic.

I will as parent of a swimmer:

1. Complete and return the Health and Consent Form as requested by the club, detailing any health concerns. I will report any changes in the state of my swimmer's health to the coach prior to coaching sessions and will also keep the Membership Secretary informed.

If a member of my immediate family becomes infected with COVID-19 I will self-isolate with my family and swimmer for 14 days and notify the club who will hold this information in the strictest confidence.

If my swimmer is tested positive for COVID-19 I will cooperate with NHS Contact tracing and if details are requested of close contacts at WSC I will direct them to the COVID-19 officer who will confirm from records kept if my swimmer is deemed to have been in close contact with anyone else.

2. Ensure the club has up to date contact details for me and any alternative adult – critically important if no responsible persons are on the premises.
3. Ensure that my swimmer arrives at training punctually to be on poolside ready to swim 15 minutes prior to start of the session - parents of children aged 8 or under must visually ensure that their child is changed and on poolside. Parents must take note of and obey special requirements for drop off at Pirbright - please refer to the drop off and collection policy document attached (if receiving this by email), or as shown in the Welfare, Policies and SwimMark area of our website.
While special measures are in force for the COVID-19 pandemic my swimmers will wear simple and easily, removable outer clothing such as a onesie or tracksuit so they can avoid using the changing rooms.

4. Ensure that I or an adult nominated by me is at the pool to collect my swimmer(s) at least 10 minutes before the end of the session. (Children 8 years and under, or those who require additional assistance, must have an adult present during their session at all times). All Parents are reminded that it is their duty of care to ensure that their swimmer is collected from the pool facility appropriately once the training session is finished. Please refer to the drop off and collection policy document attached (if receiving this by email), or as shown in the Welfare, Policies and SwimMark area of our website.
5. Not enter the pool facilities unless directed to do so by a chaperone or COVID-19 Officer. If your child has a special need and you have been allowed to assist on poolside please ensure that you adhere to social distancing guidelines. It is anticipated that while special measures are in place for the COVID-19 pandemic that all changing rooms will be out of use, parents must refer to and follow protocols in the Drop off and Collection policy document attached (if receiving this by email), or as shown in the Welfare, Policies and SwimMark area of our website, for details of pool access at each site.
6. If you wish to have a private discussion with the coach, please contact them by email to arrange an appropriate time as direct contact will not be possible. Parents who have any welfare concerns should contact the welfare officer:
wokingsc.welfare@gmail.com
7. Ensure my swimmer is properly attired for training sessions with the expectation that changing rooms will be closed, and will arrive ready to swim and has all required equipment for their squad - hat, goggles, fins, paddles, drink etc. **All items of kit, including drinks bottles, should be clearly named.**
8. Inform the coach before a session if my swimmer is to be collected early from a coaching session / meet and if so by whom.
9. Encourage my swimmer to obey rules especially social distancing and teach them that they can only do their best. Help my swimmer enjoy the sport and achieve to the best of their ability without putting him / her under undue pressure.
10. Remember that if the club changes your swimmer's lane / squad this is to provide appropriate levels of training and this should be facilitated and encouraged at all times.
11. Behave responsibly as a spectator at training / meets and treat swimmers, coaches, officials, poolside helpers, committee members and parents of yours and other clubs with due respect. Show appreciation and support to your swimmer and all team members.
12. Ensure you do not use inappropriate language within the club environment – there must be no swearing at any time.

13. Ensure my swimmer's needs are met in terms of nutrition.
14. Support the club coaches and committee appropriately and raise any concerns you have in an appropriate manner.

The club will undertake to:

1. Inform you at check-in if your swimmer appears to be unwell or has a high temperature and is not accepted for training so that you may take him/her home.
2. Inform you at once if your swimmer is ill and ensure their wellbeing until you are able to collect him/her.
3. Ensure good Safeguarding guidelines and protocols are followed at all times to keep your swimmer safe.
4. Ensure all activities are properly supervised/taught/coached and obtain consent for any activity outside of that previously agreed.

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 in respect of Swim England/club laws and rules. Details on how to make a complaint can be obtained from the club's Welfare Officer.
2. Make a complaint on behalf of their child to the ASA.

Any misdemeanours and breach of this code of conduct will be dealt with by the club.