TAVISTOCK SWIMMING CLUB
Established 1990

Code of Conduct for Parents/Guardians

As a parent/guardian of a club member you have the right:

1. To be assured that your child is safeguarded during their time with us.

2. To know how to access our club policies, rules and procedures.

3. To know who the Welfare Officer is and how to contact them.

4. To know that any concerns about your child's welfare will be listened to and responded to.

5. To know what qualifications and training those with responsibility for your child have.

6. To be informed of problems or concerns relating to your child, where appropriate.

7. To know the procedure should your child be involved in an accident or become injured.

8. To provide your consent or otherwise for photography and trips away.

9. To make a complaint to the club committee or Welfare Officer (as appropriate).

As a parent/guardian of a club member we expect you:

Essentials

1. To make sure your child has the right kit for training and competitions as well as enough food and drink.

2. To ensure your child arrives to sessions on time and is picked up promptly. Do not drop off your child without first making sure the coach is present and the session is running.

3. To inform us if you're running late to collect your child or if your child is going home with someone else.

4. To complete all consent, contact and medical forms and update us straight away if anything changes.

5. To maintain a good relationship with your child's coach or teacher.

6. To tell us if you wish to talk to us about any concerns regarding your child. We will arrange a mutually convenient time so you can talk to us.

7. Not to enter poolside or to interrupt training or competitions except on request or in an emergency.

Behaviour

8. To remember that children get a wide range of benefits from participating in sport, such as making friends, getting exercise and developing skills. It's not all about wins and losses.

9. To behave positively as a spectator at training or competitions and to treat others with respect.

10. To encourage your child and to tell them when they've done well and to provide support when they are struggling.

11. To respect and celebrate difference in our club or activity and not to discriminate against anyone else on the grounds of gender, race, sexual orientation, faith or ability.

12. To respect the children and adults competing for other teams at competitions.

13. To respect the committee members, coaching and teaching team and all volunteer helpers at the club.

14. To understand that the use of abusive or inappropriate language, bullying, physical violence or any other behaviour which hurts others will not be tolerated by the club.

15. To understand that poor behaviour may result in the club taking disciplinary action against you. Any behaviour which alleges a criminal offence will be reported to police by the club.

16. To talk to your child and ensure they understand the rules of the club and the sport.

17. To ensure your child understands and complies with their Code of Conduct.

Breaches of this Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action being taken against you by the club committee. Continued issues and repeated breaches may result in parents/ guardians being asked not to attend the club, something we never want to do.

Signature…….. Date……

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Next review date: February 2024

Changing Room Rules

To ensure the safety and security of all TSC members and to meet current safeguarding and Swim England guidance, the following rules apply to the changing areas when in use.

1. **In Meadowlands:**
   (1) girls (U18) are to change in the cubicles on the left side of the changing area (ie. furthest away from the cafe);
   (2) boys (U18) are to change in the cubicles on the right side of the changing area (i.e. closest to the cafe);
   (3) adults (18 and over) are to use the centre cubicles.

2. **At Mount Kelly:**
   1) Where possible the same rules should be followed as at Meadowlands, ie.
      a) Girls (U18) should use the cubicles on the left when you look at the pool;
      b) Boys (U18) should use the cubicles on the right;
      c) Adults (18 and over) should use cubicles in the centre.
   2) However, if the changing rooms are too busy for this to be feasible, swimmers may change in any vacant cubicle.

3. **At all venues:**
   (1) Cubicles are not to be shared. Younger children requiring assistance may be accompanied by a responsible parent/carer, preferably of the same gender.
   (2) No belongings are to be left in cubicles. Either use the lockers, take on the poolside or give to parents/carers.
   (3) No litter is to be left anywhere either in the changing area or elsewhere. Please use the bins provided.
   (4) No running anywhere within the building.
   (5) Behaviour should be appropriate at all times, including in the showers. Squirting of water, shower gel etc. is forbidden.

PLEASE NOTE THAT the changing room area is not under direct supervision. Parents/carers are responsible for their children once they are out of the water.