



# Swimmers's Code of Conduct

## General behaviour

1. I will treat all members of, and persons associated with, the SWIM ENGLAND with due dignity and respect.
2. I will treat everyone equally and never discriminate against another person associated with the SWIM ENGLAND on any grounds including that of age, sexual orientation, gender, faith, ethnic origin or nationality.
3. I understand that the use of inappropriate or abusive language, bullying, harassment, or physical violence will not be tolerated and could result in action being taken through the disciplinary or child welfare policies.
4. I will display a high standard of behaviour at all times.
5. I will always report any poor behaviour by others to an appropriate officer or member of staff.
6. I will recognise and celebrate the good performance and success of fellow club and team members.
7. I will respect the privacy of others, especially in the use of changing facilities.

## Training

1. I will treat my coach and fellow members with respect.
2. I will make my coach aware if I have difficulties in attending training sessions as per the rules laid down for my squad.
3. I will arrive in good time on poolside before the training session starts to complete poolside warm up as directed by my coach.
4. I understand that if I arrive late, I must report to my coach before entering the pool.
5. I will ensure that I have all of my equipment with me, e.g. paddles, kick boards, hats, goggles, etc.
6. If I need to leave the pool for any reason during training, I will inform my coach before doing so.
7. I will listen to what my coach is telling me at all times and obey any instructions given.
8. I will not stop and stand in the lane, or obstruct others from completing their training.
9. I will think about what I am doing during training, and if I have any problems, I will discuss them with my coach at an appropriate time.

## Competitions

1. At competitions, whether they be open meets, national events or club galas, I will always behave in a manner that shows respect to my coach, the officers, my teammates and the members of all competing organisations.
2. I understand that I will be required to attend events and galas that the Head Coach has entered/selected me for, unless agreed otherwise by prior arrangement with the relevant official and coach.
3. I understand that I must wear appropriate swimwear, tracksuits, T-shirts/shorts and hats as per the rules laid down by the organisation.
4. I will report to my coach and/or team manager on arrival on poolside.
5. I will warm up before the event as directed by the coach in charge on that day and ensure I fully prepare myself for the race.
6. I will be part of the team. This means I will stay with the team on poolside.
7. If I have to leave poolside for any reason, I will inform, and in some cases, get the consent of the team manager/coach before doing so.
8. After my race, I will report to my coach for feedback.
9. I will support my team mates. Everyone likes to be supported and they will be supporting me in return.
10. I will never leave an event until either the gala is complete or I have the explicit agreement of the coach or team manager.



## Parent's Code of Conduct

1. I will complete and return the Medical Information Form as requested by the organisation 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. I will ensure that the organisation 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. I will ensure my child is properly and adequately attired for the training session/ events including all mandatory equipment, e.g. hats, goggles, etc.
4. I will inform the coach before a session if my child is to be collected early from a training session/event and if so, by whom.
5. I will encourage my child to obey the rules and teach them that they can only do their best.
6. 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 organisation and any other organisation with due respect, in accordance with the SWIM ENGLAND commitment to equality and diversity.
7. I will not use inappropriate language within the organisation environment.
8. I will show appreciation and support my child and all the team members.
9. I will support the coach and committee appropriately and raise any concerns I may have in an appropriate manner to the welfare officer.
10. 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.

### You have a right to:

1. Make a complaint to the organisation if you feel the organisation or a member of the organisation is not acting appropriately or in accordance with SWIM ENGLAND/organisation rules and regulations. Details of how to do this can be obtained from the welfare officer.
2. Make a complaint on behalf of your child to the SWIM ENGLAND Office of Judicial Administration.

