New Hartford Aquatics – Swimmer Code of Conduct

New Hartford Aquatics strives to promote a healthy and safe experience for all athletes, coaches, staff, parents, other USA Swim teams, officials and fans. The purpose of a code of conduct for swimmers is to establish consistent expectations for behavior by all student-athletes.

By signing this code of conduct, I agree to the following statements:

- 1. I will not participate in any activity detrimental to the New Hartford Aquatics Swim Club or its members, including the use of negative language, harassment or inappropriate content on social media
- I understand that criticizing, name-calling, use of abusive language or gestures directed toward coaches, officials, volunteers, and/or any participating swimmer will not be tolerated and may result in disciplinary action from the New Hartford Aquatics Swim Club and/or USA Swimming
- 3. I will treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, color, religion, national origin or citizenship status, sex, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, age or disability.
- 4. I will be respectful of other team's coaches and facilities; this is proper behavior as a representative of my
- 5. I will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, swimmer, or parent such as booing and taunting; refusing to shake hands; or using profane language or gestures
- 6. I will respect the authority and integrity of coaches and officials. I will not confront officials, and will direct my concerns to my coach
- I will follow the rules of the sport and the club, and resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence
- 8. I will always be on time and prepared for practice and meets. To the best of my ability, I will attend all practices and training sessions. If I am unable to attend, I will discuss the absence with my coach.
- 9. As a member of the team, I will be courteous, respectful, and practice good sportsmanship to teammates, opponents, coaches, and officials. I understand that it is a privilege to represent New Hartford Aquatics and proper behavior is required during practice, during team events and swim meets.
- 10. I will use appropriate language at all times. I understand that good sportsmanship is a must. Criticizing, blaming or disputing with my teammates, coaches, opponents, or officials will not be tolerated
- 11. I will be alcohol, drug, and tobacco free. These violations will result in immediate suspension or removal from the team.

*Violation of statements 1-5 will be handled in following manner: First violation = conference with coach/parent/team board Second violation = removal from the team Second violation = removal from the team Second violation = conference with athlete/parent/coach/ and/or NHA Board if necessary Third violation = removal from the team I have read and understood the information above. I understand that I am expected to abide by these standards. It

is understood that if these standards are not met, I will be subjected to disciplinary action, including but not limited to suspension or removal from the club.

Name	Signature	Date