New Hartford Aquatics – Parent/Guardian 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 parents is to establish consistent expectations for behavior by parents and guardians. As a parent, it is vital to understand the important growth and development that team participation fosters. To promote a safe and positive environment for all members, it is just as important to understand the role of providing our athletes, coaching staff, all USA Swimming Team coaches, parents and club officials with respect and dignity.

In recognition of my child joining the New Hartford Aquatics Swim Club, I will read and abide by the following standards of behavior:

- 1. I will not participate in any activity detrimental to the New Hartford Aquatics Swim Club, including the use of negative language, harassment or inappropriate content on social media
- 2. I will set the right example for my child and all members of the club by demonstrating sportsmanship and showing respect and common courtesy at all times to the team members, coaches, competitors, officials, parents, and all facilities
- 3. I will be involved in club activities, volunteering, cheering at meets, and check in with my child's coach about his/her progress
- 4. I will refrain from coaching my child from the stands during practice and/or meets
- 5. I will not communicate with my child or his/her coach during practice time
- 6. 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
- 7. I will respect the authority and integrity of coaches and officials
- 8. I will not confront officials, and will direct my concerns to my child's coach
- 9. 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
- 10. I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well-being of the athletes
- 11. I will teach my child to follow the rules of the sport and the club, and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence
- 12. I will demand that my child 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.

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 removal from the facility during practice time/and or swim meets.

Printed Name	Signature	Date
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