



Coach Code of Conduct for Colorado Springs Area (COSA) Swimming

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The purpose of this Code of Conduct is to establish a consistent expectation for COSA coaches' behavior. By accepting this code of conduct, the COSA coach agrees to the following statements:

- ✓ I will set a good example of respect and sportsmanship for participants and fans to follow.
- ✓ I will act and dress with professionalism and dignity in a manner suitable to my profession.
- ✓ I will respect officials and their judgment and abide by the rules of the event.
- ✓ I will treat opposing coaches, participants, and spectators with respect.
- ✓ I will instruct participants in sportsmanship and insist that they display good sportsmanship.
- ✓ I will coach in a positive manner and not use derogatory comments nor abusive language.
- ✓ I will win with humility and lose with dignity.
- ✓ I will treat every athlete fairly, justly, impartially, intelligently, and with sensitivity.
- ✓ I will always place the well-being, health, and safety of swimmers above all other considerations, including developing performance.
- ✓ I will continue to seek and maintain my professional development in areas related to coaching and teaching children.
- ✓ I will always maintain a professional separation between coach and athlete.
- ✓ I will obey all USA Swimming rules, including (but not limited to) the [USA Swimming Code of Conduct](#).
- ✓ I will obey all COSA Swimming rules, including (but not limited to) [COSA Swimming's Safe Sport policies](#).

I understand that, if I violate this Code of Conduct, I will be subject to disciplinary action determined by the COSA Senior Leadership Team and/or the COSA CEO and/or USA Swimming.