



PARENT/GUARDIAN CODE OF CONDUCT

PURPOSE

This code of conduct establishes consistent expectations for parent and guardian behavior. The Warrior Aquatic Club (“the Club”) believes important growth and development is fostered by athletes’ participation on the team and is committed to creating a positive environment for its athletes, coaches, staff, and families. To achieve this goal, every parent/ guardian must provide the coaching staff with respect and the authority to coach the team.

PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

I/We agree to the following:

- I/We will set a positive example for my/our athlete(s) by demonstrating good sportsmanship.
- I/We will show respect and common courtesy at all times to team members, coaches, competitors, officials, and parents, and to all facilities.
- I/We will get involved by volunteering, observing practices, cheering at meets, and talking with my/our athlete(s) and their coach(es) about their progress.
- I/We will refrain from coaching my/our athlete(s) from the stands during practices or meets. It is understood that parental coaching at a meet may result in the Club being fined. I/We agree to reimburse the Club for any such fines and understand that further consequences may result at the discretion of the coaches and the board of directors.
- I/We will not criticize, name-call, or direct abusive language or gestures toward coaches, officials, volunteers, and/or any participating swimmer. I understand that such behavior will not be tolerated by the Club.
- I/We will respect the integrity of the officials. If I/we disagree with an official's call, I/we will talk with a Club coach and not approach the official directly.
- I/We will direct any coaching concerns to my/our athlete's coach. Only then may concerns be directed to the appropriate supervisor (e.g. the head coach or the board of directors). Safety concerns should be immediately reported to the SafeSport Coordinator.
- I/We will obey all of USA Swimming's rules and codes of conduct. For reference, the *2023 USA Swimming Rules and Regulations* can be found at https://www.usaswimming.org/docs/default-source/governance/governance-lsc-website/rules_policies/rulebooks/2023-rulebook.pdf (*last visited July 2, 2023*).

I/We understand that a failure to adhere to these expectations may result in disciplinary action.

Adapted from “Model Team Code of Conduct: Parents”, USA Swimming.