



## COHO Swim Club Parent Code of Conduct



The purpose of a code of conduct for parents is to establish consistent expectations for behavior by parents. As a parent/guardian, I understand the important growth and developmental support that my child's participation fosters. I also understand that it is essential to provide the coaching staff with respect and the authority to coach the team. I agree with the following statements:

- ☐ I will set the right example for our children by demonstrating sportsmanship, showing respect, and showing common courtesy at all times to the team members, coaches, competitors, officials, parents, and all facilities staff at all practices, swim meets, and events that involve the COHO Swim Club, Deerfield Park District, Illinois Swimming, or USA Swimming.
- ☐ I will get involved by volunteering, observing practices, cheering at meets, and talking with my child and their coach about their progress.
- ☐ I will refrain from coaching my child from the stands during practices or meets.
- ☐ 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.
- ☐ I will respect the integrity of the officials.
- ☐ I will follow all state and local laws while attending any event involving the COHO Swim Club, Deerfield Park District, Illinois Swimming, or USA Swimming, or any other organization that represents the aquatic sports that include COHO athletes, and will at all times demonstrate good moral character and be an example for any and all to see.
- ☐ I will direct my concerns first to my child's group coach; then, if not satisfied, to the appropriate supervisor. I also understand that I may reach out to the club's Safe Sport Coordinator if I have a concern and will always reference the COHO MAAPP for guidance.

I understand the above expectations and that my failure to adhere to them may result in disciplinary action that may result in suspension, either temporary or permanent, from any and all programs, events, or activities offered or affiliated with the COHO Swim Club, Deerfield Park District, Illinois Swimming, or USA Swimming.

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Printed Name(s)

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Signature(s)

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Date

If I have a swimmer currently registered with USA Swimming and the COHO Swim Club, then they and their parents agree to follow this policy.

If a parent(s) violates the Code of Conduct, the coaching staff will notify them. The Executive Board of the Parents' Association will review each case. Depending on the severity of the infraction, the committee may recommend suspension from practices and meets for either the parent(s), the swimmer, or both (without a refund for the length of suspension), counseling (with written proof that counseling was obtained), or termination from participation on COHO for themselves or family members.

In all cases, the Head Coach or a coaching staff member, Safe Sport Coordinator, representative of the COHO Parents Association, or Deerfield Park District will communicate with the parent(s) regarding the infraction and penalty. A meeting with the Executive Board may also be arranged. Such a meeting provides the opportunity for the parent(s) to present their case. The decision of the Executive Board is final with no recourse.