

# **DCAC Athlete Code of Conduct**

## **Goal**

The purpose of this code of conduct for athletes is to establish consistent expectations for athlete behavior. Understanding, and abiding by, these expectations is an essential to achieving a positive and rewarding club swimming experience for all swimmers.

## **Athlete Acknowledgement**

As an athlete, I understand and support the objectives spelled out above. I also understand the need to abide by policies developed to achieve these goals. In particular, I agree with the following statements:

## **Athlete Expectations**

- Many people must work together smoothly to operate a successful swim club. Therefore, I will be courteous and respectful towards my coaches, teammates, parents, and officials at all times.
- Developing sportsmanship is a primary goal of DCAC. Therefore, I will strive to demonstrate good sportsmanship at all practices and meets.
- Hard work and persistence are necessary to achieve worthwhile goals. Therefore, I will strive to meet the attendance expectations for my practice group, listen to my coaches, work to get the full benefit from each practice, and model a strong work ethic for my teammates.
- No club can be successful without facilities. Therefore, I will must show respect for all pools, locker rooms, and other facilities used during practices, competitions, and team activities.
- DCAC strives to offer a supportive and nurturing program. Therefore, I will refrain from foul language, violence, and behavior deemed dishonest, offensive, or illegal.
- Disqualifications happen. If I disagree with an official's call, I will discuss the issue with my coach and not the official.
- Every organization needs policies to operate smoothly. Therefore, I will abide by all USA Swimming, Michigan Swimming, and DCAC policies.

As a swimmer, I understand that violating these expectations will be subject to disciplinary action determined by the coaches and DCAC's Parent Board.

## **Parent Acknowledgement**

I have reviewed this Athlete Code of Conduct with my athletes, and I understand that their failure to adhere to this code may result in disciplinary action, including the the expulsion of the parent/guardian and athlete from DCAC. DCAC reserves the right to terminate any membership without refund, with or without cause.

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Signature

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Date