

**ROCKFORD RIPTIDE SWIM CLUB**  
**PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN/SWIMMER CODE OF CONDUCT AGREEMENT**

This agreement has been adopted to provide a safe, fair and enjoyable environment for the sport of swimming and to support the mission of the Rockford Riptide Swim Club.

**Swimmers:**

- Possession or use of drugs and other illegal substances of any kind are prohibited. The use of alcohol or tobacco is prohibited throughout the swimming venue.
- Willful damage to the equipment and facility of the swimming venue is prohibited.
- Inappropriate language, verbal threats or threatening gestures or insubordinate conduct to meet personnel, coaches, or in the presence of other swimmers is prohibited.
- Unsportsmanlike or unsafe conduct at the swimming venue is prohibited.
- I will remain silent and make an honest effort to listen and look when the coaches are speaking.
- I will commit myself to give my best effort at every practice and meet and will be respectful towards the coaches.

**Parents/Swimmers:**

- As part of the team, I will treat all swimmers, coaches, officials, parents and spectators with dignity and respect.
- I will report to practice with enough time to begin practice as scheduled.
- I will be responsible to learn how to correctly complete meet entries, to learn best times, and other important information, and remit fees in a timely manner.
- I will abide by the following Riptide policies: Travel, Electronic Communication & Bullying.

**Parents:**

- I will promote the emotional and physical well being of the athletes in spite of any personal desire to win in competition. My role is to be positive and supportive in all situations. I will not willfully undermine the relationship between the swimmer and the coaches.
- No one will be permitted on the pool deck during practice, including parents or siblings, without the approval of a Riptide employee.
- I will remember that my child/children swim for their enjoyment, not mine.

The above code of conduct is in effect throughout the year. Additionally, anyone who, in the opinion of the head coach or coaches, acts in a manner that would interfere with the objectives listed above will be subject to immediate discipline and other punishments including barring from competition, suspension from practice, or dismissal from the team.

Riptide team members/parents should be respectful of their peers, coaches, and officials. Any Riptide team member/parent not acting in such a manner will be asked to change or stop that behavior. If that team member/parent fails to comply, they will be asked to leave and disciplinary procedures will follow.

The coaching staff holds the final word on any rules, regulations, coaching decisions, or disciplinary action. In the case a resolution cannot be made between the coaching staff and the affected party, additional resources will become involved and the board of directors will resolve the situation.

I recognize my responsibility to abide by the rules and requirements of the Rockford Riptide Swim Club I am representing and I acknowledge that I have received and read such.

Swimmer\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_