# AGE GROUP SWIMMERS CODE OF CONDUCT

The purpose of this code is to promote the best possible individual, team, and program responsibility which supports the development of first class citizens at all times.

## Part 1 - General Code of Conduct Rules

- 1. All Age Group participating team members will abide by this code of conduct throughout the swim year.
- 2. All participants will wear designated team suits and T-shirts during all competition.
- 3. All athletes will participate in all designated championship meets for which they have qualified.
- 4. Use of cameras (smartphones) in the Locker rooms and bathrooms is NOT permitted for any reason.
- 5. Curfews at team travel events, as a member of New Jersey Swimming, Bergen Barracuda or USA Swimming sponsored event and at all related activities will be obeyed. Extension will only be granted by the Head Coach. Curfew is not enforced if participant is with parents.
- 6. Male and Female swimmers may not be in each other's room on any team trip unless supervised by designated Club official.
- 7. Use of alcoholic beverages is unacceptable at any time during the swim year.
- 8. Use of drugs other than those prescribed by your physician is unacceptable at any time during the year.
- 9. Smoking is unacceptable at any time during the year.
- 10. Picture taking on the pool deck or in the locker will not be tolerated.
- 11. Disrespectful, indiscreet or destructive behavior will not be tolerated. It is the responsibility of each swimmer to make every effort to avoid guilt by association with such activities at any time during the year.
- 12. All participants and their parents have a responsibility to do their best to ensure that this Code of Conduct is adhered to and to help ensure the safety of these Program participants.

## Part 2 - Violation of the Code of Conduct Rules

At the discretion of the Head Coach any one or all of the following penalties will be applied:

- 1. Swimmer may be scratched from the meet.
- 2. Swimmer may be sent home immediately from practice or meet at his own expense and if there is extra expense it will be swimmer's responsibility.
- 3. Swimmer may be suspended from the team until the swimmer and parents have had a conference with the Head Coach and appropriate disciplinary actions have been implemented. This is automatic with violations of General Conduct Rules 4, 5, 6, 7,8, 9 and (or) 10.
- 4. Violation of General Conduct Rules 4,5,6,7,8, 9 and (or) 10 on team trips will result in the swimmer being suspended from ALL team trips for the remainder of the swim year and/or a specific period determined by the Head Program Coach.

I hereby agree to abide by the rules of conduct as set forth in Part 1 above and acknowledge that, should I violate any provision in Part I, I will be subject to disciplinary action, as set forth in Part 2, including suspension.

Signature of Swimmer	Date
 Signature of Parent/Guardian	 Date

# SENIOR, ELITE-PREP AND ELITE SWIMMERS CODE OF CONDUCT

The purpose is to promote the best possible individual, team, and program responsibility which supports the development of first class citizens at all times.

#### Part 1 - General Code of Conduct Rules

- 1. All Pre-Elite and Elite participating team members will abide by this code of conduct.
- 2. All participants will wear designated team suits and T-shirts during all competition.
- 3. All athletes will participate in all designated championship meets they are qualified for as a member of the Pre-Elite and Elite Group.
- 4. Use of cameras (smartphones) in the Locker rooms and bathrooms is NOT permitted for any reason.
- 5. Curfews at team travel events, as a member of New Jersey Swimming, the Bergen Barracudas or USA Swimming sponsored event and at all related activities will be obeyed. Extension will only be granted by the Head Coach. Curfew is not enforced if participant is with parents.
- 6. Male and Female swimmers may not be in each other's room on any team trip unless supervised by designated Club official.
- 7. Use of alcoholic beverages is unacceptable at any time on any team trip. The underage use of alcoholic beverages is unacceptable at any time.
- 8. Use of drugs other than those prescribed by your physician is unacceptable at any time during the year.
- 9. Smoking is unacceptable at any time during the year.
- 10. Picture taking on the pool deck or in the locker will not be tolerated.
- 11. Disrespectful, indiscreet or destructive behavior will not be tolerated. It is the responsibility of each swimmer to make every effort to avoid guilt by association with such activities at any time during the year.
- 12. All participants and their parents have a responsibility to do their best to ensure that this Code of Conduct is adhered to and to help ensure the safety of these Program participants.

## Part 2 - Violation of the Code of Conduct Rules

At the discretion of the Head Coach any one or all of the following penalties will be applied:

- 1. Swimmer may be scratched from the meet.
- 2. Swimmer may be sent home immediately from practice or meet at his own expense and if there is extra expense it will be swimmer's responsibility.
- 3. Violation of General Conduct rules 6, 7 and (or) 8 will be an automatic fine of \$100.00 for the first time offender, \$300.00 for the second such occurrence and for the third offense a \$500.00 fine. These fines are payable immediately or a suspension is in effect until said fine is paid. All financial penalties will be ratified by the Board of Directors of the Bergen Barracuda Swim Team.
- 4. Swimmer may be suspended from the team until the swimmer and parents have had a conference with the Head Coach and appropriate disciplinary actions have been implemented. This is automatic with violations of General Conduct rules 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and (or) 10.
- 5. Violation of General Conduct Code Rules 4,5,6,7,8,9 and (or) 10 on team trips will result in the swimmer being suspended from ALL team trips for the remainder of the swim year and/or a specific period determined by the Head Program Coach.

I hereby agree to abide by the rules of "Elite, Elite Prep and Senior Swimmers Code of Conduct" as set forth in Part I above and acknowledge that, should I violate any provision in Part 1, I will be subject to disciplinary action, as set forth in Part 2, including suspension.

Signature of Swimmer	Date
Signature of Parent/Guardian	Date

# **PARENTS CODE OF CONDUCT**

- As the parent(s) of a swimmer on the Bergen Barracuda Swim Team, I agree to support the Bergen Barracudas and will insure that my child/swimmer abide by the swimmer code of conduct.
- Parents will refrain from any verbal abuse of swimmers coaches, officials, opponents and spectators during or after meets.
- Parents will not interfere or distract any swimmers at any time during meets and practices.
- Parents will remain in designated spectator areas throughout the duration of meets and practices.
- Parents are to adhere to and respect all facility rules and regulations.
- Parents are expected to pick-up and/or drop off their swimmer to practice and meet at the time requested by the coach or head coach and abide by all parking rules and regulations.
  - Your child needs to be dropped off 15 minutes prior to the practice start time and picked-up 15 after the practice end time.
  - o If your child is not at a meet on time without proper notification s/he will scratched.
- Parents are to refrain from any negative, abuse or derogatory commentary about/towards Bergen Barracuda swimmers, coaches, opponents, officials or spectators during or after meet verbally, in writing or via the internet.
- Parents are expected to time/work at all meets their swimmer attends. The head coach will assign timing to specific families at a minimum of 48 hours prior to the meet and attempt to share the burden evenly across the team.
- Parents are expected to volunteer/donate food at all hosted meets for a total of 4 sessions a season. Our hosted meets are: The Go for the Gold, The Snowflake Meet and 13 and Over LC Silver Bronze meet.
- Parents will not use or possess alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, or weapons while attending Bergen Barracuda meets, events or training sessions.
- Parents will not engage in giving swimmers any instruction during meets or practices. Any comments to swimmers should be limited to encouragement and support of swimmers.
- ABSOLUTELY NO COACHING FROM THE BLEACHERS/SIDELINE IS PERMITTED BY PARENTS.
- •Parents are not to voice issues concerning their child/swimmer or coach in front of the other parents/players. Parents are asked to discuss any issues or concerns with the coach and/or head coach directly or via email. However, a 24 hour period after the issue arises is required before doing so. If this is unsuccessful, the parent should feel free to contact the Board of Directors directly to resolve the matter.

At the Bergen Barracuda Swim Team these codes are taken seriously to insure a safe, professional and nurturing environment to all our swimmers. Parents are required to adhere to these codes in the best interest of their child. The Bergen Barracudas head coach/coach will take time to speak to parents regarding any arising issues. However, please note that you may or may not receive warning prior to any action being taken in response to failure to abide by the above code of conduct rules. Failure to comply with the above conditions may result in your child/swimmer being suspended and/or removed from meets and future selection.

The Parents Code of Conduct has been written in the best interest of swimmers, parents, coaches and to continuously improve the environment and services provided by the Bergen Barracuda Swim Team.

PARENT 1 SIGNATURE:	PRINT NAME:	
PARENT 2 SIGNATURE:	PRINT NAME:	
DATE PARENT 1 :	DATE PARENT 2:	