

Bobcat Swim Club Code of Conduct

Bobcat Swim Club (BSC) seeks to provide an environment that best supports its swimmers as they strive to reach their individual goals. To this end, each swimmer must know that their conduct at practices and swim meets affects and should support every other swimmer's ability to learn and the coaches' ability to teach. Membership with BSC is a privilege.

A Swimmer Should:

1. Remember that at practice, during meets, and in public, he represents Bobcat Swim Club. He should represent BSC with excellence, team spirit, good sportsmanship, and politeness.
2. Represent BSC by wearing BSC shirts, suits, and caps at all team events.
3. Be respectful towards all teammates, opponents, officials, and parent volunteers.
4. Support all teammates regardless of their ability, age, race, or gender.
5. Attend regular practice sessions on time and have the proper equipment. Be prepared to work hard.
6. Attend swim meets and follow all meet rules.
7. Cheer for team members while they are swimming.
8. Help to clean up the team area.

A Swimmer Must:

1. Refrain from any conduct that is frightening, harassing, or hurtful to others.
2. Use appropriate language and behavior. Profane or abusive language, obscene gestures, demeaning or derogatory comments toward another individual during swim meets or practice will not be tolerated.
3. Cooperate with your coach and teammates.
4. Listen while others are talking, answer respectfully when spoken to, and follow directions/instructions.
5. Not use a cell phone, camera, or recording device in the locker room.
6. Be respectful of each other. Intentionally striking another person will subject the swimmer to the most severe discipline.
7. Respect and care for the property of others. Vandalism, intentional damage to property, or theft of property will not be tolerated.
8. Not possess or use weapons, alcohol, tobacco, illegal, or legal drugs in a manner inconsistent with the manufacturer's intended use. Violation of this rule will be grounds for immediate expulsion from the team for the remainder of the season, with no refund of team fees.

Consequences

1. First offense- A verbal warning will be given to the swimmer about their behavior along with an explanation of why the behavior is unacceptable. Possible consequences include time out of practice and/or a sincere apology.
2. Second offense- The swimmer will be pulled out of practice. The coach will contact the parent.
3. Third offense- Before returning to practice, the swimmer will need to be accompanied by a parent for 4 consecutive days.
4. Fourth offense- The swimmer will be suspended for one week. There will be no refund of team fees.
5. Fifth offense- A meeting will be set with the Board of Directors, coach, and parent to discuss suspension and/or expulsion from the team. Swimmer may be permanently removed from the Bobcat Swim Club. Team fees will not be refunded.

IF THE INFRACTION IS SERIOUS, THIS ORDER MAY NOT BE FOLLOWED AND MAY WARRANT THE MOVE TO A HIGHER LEVEL.

Appeals

Parents who are dissatisfied with the disciplining of their child have the right to appeal to the board of directors. In such an instance, the parent will notify a board member, who will notify other board members as needed. The decision of the board of directors will be final.

Acknowledgement

I understand that failure to comply with these rules will subject me to immediate contact of my parents and disciplinary action as deemed appropriate by the coach on deck. I understand that failure to comply with these rules may result in disciplinary action included, but not limited to the following: a verbal warning, removal from practice and/or meets, suspension, or expulsion from the team.

Swimmer's Name

Swimmer's Signature

Date_____

Parent/ Guardian's Signature

Date_____