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Parent code of conduct

As a registered Swim England Member, and parent/guardian of a Member (under 18 years of age) at the club, or a parent/guardian of a Club Member (under 18 years of age) but not a registered Swim England Member yourself, you are required to agree to this code of conduct.

As a parent/guardian you have the right to:

1. Be assured that your child is safeguarded at all times during activity with the club.
2. Know who the Welfare Officer is and how to contact them.
3. Be informed of Wavepower and appropriate safeguarding and welfare reporting procedures.
4. Know that any concerns about your child's welfare will be listened to and responded to.
5. Know that anyone training or looking after your child at a club activity has the appropriate qualifications, checks and training.
6. Be informed of any problems or concerns relating to your child, raised by their coach.
7. Know how to access the club policies and procedures including the club complaints process and who to contact.
8. Provide your consent or otherwise for photography and trips away.

As a parent/guardian of a club member (under 18 years of age) we expect you to:

1. Make sure your child has the right kit for training and competitions.
2. Ensure your child arrives to sessions on time and is picked up promptly.
3. Let the club know if you are running late to collect your child, if your child is going home with someone else or you have made alternative arrangements.
4. Complete all consent, contact and medical forms and update us straight away if anything changes.
5. Respect the decisions made by your child's coach but understand you have the right to raise any concerns regarding your child. We will arrange a mutually convenient time so you can talk to us.
6. Remember that children get a wide range of benefits from participating in our sport, including making friends, having regular exercise and developing new skills. It's not all about winning.
7. Not enter poolside or interrupt training or competitions unless in an emergency situation.
8. Talk to your child and ensure they understand the rules of the club and the sport.
9. Ensure your child understands the Athlete Code of Conduct.

By agreeing to this Code of Conduct you agree to:

1. Behave positively as a spectator at training or competitions and treat others with respect.

2. Only enter competitions for your child as directed by the Head Coach.
3. Give encouragement to your child and tell them when they've done well and provide support when they are struggling.
4. Respect and celebrate differences in our club or activity and not discriminate against anyone else on the grounds of gender, race, sexual orientation, faith, ability or any other relevant characteristic.
5. Respect anyone competing for other teams at competitions.
6. Respect all volunteers, committee members and coaches at the club.
7. Understand that the use of abusive or inappropriate language, bullying, physical violence or any other behaviour which hurts others will not be tolerated by the club.
8. Report any incidences of abuse, bullying or unacceptable behaviour to the Welfare Officer, even if you are just a witness.

Breaches of this Code of Conduct will result in disciplinary action being taken against you by the club committee and any behaviour which may be a criminal offence will be reported to the Police and any other relevant authority by the the club.

Continued breaches of this code of conduct by a parent/guardian (whether a member or not) may require the club to stop your child's continued participation in club activity.