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Swimmer code of conduct

This code is something that you as an athlete should refer to in relation to your rights as an athlete, the respect you should expect but also that which you demonstrate to other members, what is expected of you in terms of listening and being listened to and your behaviour as a member of the club.

As a member of our club we understand you have the right to:

1. Feel safe and know how you can raise concerns.
2. Be listened to.
3. Be involved and contribute towards decisions within the club or activity.
4. Be respected and treated fairly by everyone in the club.
5. Feel welcomed, valued and not judged based on your race, gender, sexuality, faith, ability or any other relevant characteristic.
6. Be encouraged and develop your swimming with our help and support.
7. Be looked after if there's an accident or injury and have your parents/guardian/emergency contact informed where appropriate.

As a member of our club we expect you to:

1. Be aware of Wavepower and adhere to relevant guidance.
2. Adhere to the Swim England regulations, Code of Ethics and Club Articles and policies.
3. Listen to and respect your coach, behave responsibly and speak out when something isn't right.
4. Only enter competitions as directed by the Head Coach.
5. Never leave the premises (either at training or competition) without agreeing it with your coach or team manager first if you are under 18. If you are over 18, please let someone know if you are leaving the premises (either at training or a competition).
6. Make it to training and competitions on time and if you're running late, let a member of the club know. For those over 18, let someone know if you are running late, particularly at a competition where it may impact on others.
7. Make your coach aware if you have any difficulties attending training or competitions. For those over 18, let someone know if you have any difficulties attending training or competitions.
8. Bring the right kit to training and competitions.
9. Take care of equipment and premises as if they were your own.
10. Support and encourage your team mates.
11. Respect volunteers and competitors at competitions.
12. Respect the committee members, coaching team and all volunteer helpers at all times.

13. Get involved in club decisions, it's your sport too.

Behaviour - we expect certain standards of behaviour from our members. By becoming a member of the club and therefore agreeing to this Code of Conduct you agree to:

1. Follow the rules of the club, squad and activity at all times.
2. Respect and celebrate difference in our club and not discriminate against anyone else on the grounds of age, gender, race, sexual orientation, faith, ability or any other relevant characteristic.
3. 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.
4. Respect the privacy of others especially in the changing rooms.
5. Not use any mobile device, at any time, in the changing areas.
6. Report any concerns you have about others taking photographs or footage of others in the changing areas.
7. Report any incidents of bullying or unacceptable behaviour to the welfare officer, even if you're 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 club.