



Wayne Dolphins Swim Club

Code of Conduct

As a member of the Wayne Dolphins Swim Club (WDSC), and a parent/guardian of a member, you and your child are part of a swimming organization that believes teamwork, integrity, respect and good sportsmanship are more important than winning. By acknowledging this Code of Conduct you and your child agree to follow the rules for behavior and sportsmanship while associated with WDSC.

As parents/guardians, it is absolutely essential that we give our coaching staff the respect and authority they deserve to run our swim team. Our coaches are hired for that purpose and the Head Coach oversees the direction of the staff. Please talk with your swimmer(s) about appropriate behavior.

The following behavior guidelines state the principles WDSC expects all members to demonstrate and uphold. Your athlete participating with/for the Wayne Dolphin Swim Club (WDSC) agrees to abide by the guidelines outlined below in addition to those established by the staff.

- Swim for the fun of it, not just to please your parents or coach.
- Make every team practice, meet participation, and activity an opportunity to learn.
- Swimmers are expected to remember that at practice, swim meets, team activities, and in public they are representing WDSC. They should represent WDSC with excellence, respect, team spirit, good sportsmanship, and politeness.
- Swimmers are expected to show respect, common courtesies and good sportsmanship at all times to team members, coaches, competitors, officials, parents, and for all facilities and other property used during practices, competitions, and team activities.
- Swimmers should be punctual and arrive on time for all practices and meets and team events. Pool time is very valuable.
- Focus on every drill and every set. Be committed to putting forth your best effort every day.
- The coaches are there to help the swimmers. Swimmers are expected to pay attention and follow all of the coaches' instructions completely and exactly. If any clarification is needed, they are to ask questions politely.
- Swimmers are expected to use appropriate language. Use of profane or abusive language or obscene gestures will not be tolerated.
- Dishonesty, theft, and/or vandalism will not be tolerated.
- Swimmers are prohibited from using cell phones in the locker rooms. Camera phones and other recording devices present potential issues and concerns that WDSC wishes to avoid. If your swimmer needs to contact you, they must use their cell phone in the presence of an adult and outside the locker room. Please communicate to your swimmer(s) the potential risk involved with using their phones in the locker room.

VIOLATION OF THE CODE – The coaches and/or board have the authority to impose the following penalties for violation of the Wayne Dolphins Swim Club Code of Conduct. The penalties include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1st violation: The swimmer will be given a verbal warning.
- 2nd violation: The swimmer will be pulled out of the WDSC activity in addition to a verbal warning and the coach will contact the parent/guardian. The swimmer and parent/guardian will meet with the coach and/or board member to discuss the problem before the swimmer is permitted to return to any WDSC activity.
- 3rd violation: The swimmer may be expelled from the team. No refunds will be given in the event a swimmer is expelled for violating WDSC's Code of Conduct.

Your child agrees that if they violate any of these rules, they will be subject to disciplinary action determined by the coaches and/or board members, which may include expulsion from the team.

Our goal for the Wayne Dolphins Swim Club is to provide a safe and fun learning environment where all swimmers have the chance to improve and enjoy swimming. If there are any questions, concerns, or comments please see a board member or one of the coaches.

We want to resolve issues in a proactive manner as needed. By acknowledging the statement on the registration form, you agree that you have reviewed the Wayne Dolphins Swim Club Code of Conduct with the registered athlete and you and the athlete understand the Wayne Dolphins Swim Club Code of Conduct and that you and the swimmer agree to abide by this Code of Conduct and accept the penalties for not abiding by it.