

TEDDINGTON SWIMMING CLUB CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PARENTS

PARENTS ARE EXPECTED TO:

- 1 Complete and return the Health and Consent form as requested by the club and detail and health concerns relevant to the child on the consent form. Any changes in the state of the child's health should be reported to the coach prior to coaching sessions. Ensure the club has up to date contact details for you.
- 2 Deliver and collect your child punctually to and from the coaching sessions/swim meets. Please inform a member of the committee or coaching staff if there is an unavoidable problem.
- 3 The club is unable to act as a 'babysitting service' or to supervise the changing areas. The parent/guardian of all children 8 and under must stay on the premises during the session.
- 4 If the club changes your child's lane and time, please remember the change is to provide appropriate levels of training and enable you child to progress and should be facilitated and encouraged at all times.
- 5 Ensure your child is properly and adequately attired for the training session/event including all required equipment, hat, goggles and all relevant training kit.
- 6 Inform the coach before a session if your child is to be collected early from a coaching session/meet and if so by whom.
- 7 Encourage your child to obey rules and teach them that they can only do their best. Do not force your child to swim.
- 8 Behave responsibly as a spectator at training/meets and treat swimmers, coaches, committee members and parents of yours and other clubs with due respect, meeting the ASA

commitment to equality, diversity and inclusion.

- 9 Ensure they do not use inappropriate language within the club environment.
- 10 Show appreciation and support your child and all the team members.
- 11 Ensure your child's needs are met in terms of nutritional needs and listen to advice given from the Head Coach.
- 12 Support the head Coach and Committee and raise any concerns you have in an appropriate manner. Details of the clubs Welfare Officer can be found on the TSC website.
- 13 Do not enter poolside unless requested to do so or in an emergency.
- 14 If you wish to have a discussion with the coach please speak to them after a session to arrange a suitable time. In your dealing with your child's coach, treat the coach with respect and in the same manner, as you would wish to be treated.
- 15 Most of all help your child enjoy the sport and achieve to the best of their ability.

THE CLUB WILL UNDERTAKE TO:

- 1 Inform you at once if your child is ill and ensure their well-being until you are able to collect him/her.
- 2 Ensure good child protection guidelines are followed at all times to keep your child safe.
- 3 Ensure all activities are properly supervised/taught/coached and consent is obtained for any activity previously agreed.

THE PARENT HAS A RIGHT TO:

- 1 Make a written complaint to the club if they feel the club or a member of the club is not acting appropriately to ASA Club laws and rules. Details of how to do this can be obtained from the club Welfare Officer or a member of the clubs management committee.
- 2 Make a complaint on behalf of their child to the ASA.

N.B.

The Coach will deal with breaches of the Code for Swimmers in the first instance. This may include a verbal warning followed by a sitting out for a 'timeout'. The coach may also require the swimmer to get dressed and sit back on the poolside, if a parent or other responsible adult is not present. If the coach considers the breach (or breaches) merit this, the coach will report the incident to the secretary of the Club's management committee, which will be dealt with in accordance with ASA guidelines. Sanctions for breach of any code may include a verbal or written warning or suspension from the clubs activities. The Club also has the right under its constitution to suspend or expel a swimmer for breaches by the relevant parent of the code for parents.