



Cirencester Swimming Club

Code of Conduct - Parents/Guardians

Cirencester Swimming Club is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the well being of all our members. The Club believes it is important that swimmers, teachers/coaches, administrators, and parents/guardians associated with the Club should, at all times, show respect and understanding for the safety and welfare of others. Therefore, all members are encouraged to be open at all times and share any concerns or complaints that they may have about any aspect of the Club with the Welfare Officer, contact details on the noticeboard and website.

As a member and/or associate of the Cirencester Swimming Club, you are expected to:

1. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of age, gender, ability, race, cultural background, religious beliefs or sexual identity.
2. Complete and return the Medical Information Form as requested by the club and detail any health conditions/concerns relevant to your child on the consent form.
3. Inform the coaches of any health issues/changes in you the state of your child's health prior to training sessions. A new medical form may need to be completed if the change is long-standing (e.g diagnosed with asthma)
4. Keep the Club informed if your child is ill or unable to attend training sessions.
5. Ensure the club has up to date contact details for you and any alternative person.
6. Deliver and collect your child punctually to and from coaching sessions/swim meets. Please inform a member of the committee or coaching staff if there is an unavoidable problem.
7. Ensure your child is properly and adequately attired for the training session/events including all required equipment, i.e. hats, goggles etc.
8. Ensure the safety and behaviour of your child/children in the shower/changing area before they enter and after they leave poolside **as Club volunteers are only responsible for swimmers when they are on poolside during their swim sessions.**
9. If your child/children is in Otters squad, you are to remain on the premises in case of injury, illness etc. and you are to collect your child/children from poolside at the end of the session.
10. Inform the Coach/Welfare Officer before a session if your child is to be collected early from a coaching session/meet and if so by whom.
11. If the club changes your child's lane and changing times, please remember the change is to provide appropriate levels of training and enable your child to progress and should be facilitated and encouraged at all times.
12. Encourage your child to obey rules and teach them that they can only do their best.
13. Help your child to recognise good performance, not just results.
14. Discourage unfair play and challenging/arguing with teachers/coaches, and officials.
15. 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.
16. Ensure you do not use inappropriate language within the club environment.

17. Show appreciation and support your child and all the team members.
18. Ensure your child's needs are met in terms of nutritional needs and listen to advice given from the club coach. This includes ensuring your child has adequate to drink during swimming sessions (training and competing).
19. Support the club coach and committee appropriately and raise any concerns you have in an appropriate manner. Details of the club Welfare Officer can be found on the Club notice board and on the website.
20. Do not enter poolside unless requested to do so or in an emergency. If you wish to have a discussion with the coach check with the club Welfare Officer how this can be arranged. Alternatively, use the contact information provided in the newsletters or speak to a committee member.
21. 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 wellbeing until you are able to collect him / her.
2. Ensure good child safeguarding 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 outside of that previously agreed.

The parent has a right to:

1. Make a complaint to the club if they feel the club or a member of the club is not acting appropriate to ASA / club rules and regulations. Details of how to do this can be obtained from the club Welfare Officer.
2. Make a complaint on behalf of their child to the ASA Office of Judicial Administration.

Signed by Parent/Guardian _____ Date: _____

Print Full Name _____