



## Code of Conduct for Parents

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### **Hatfield Swimming Club parents are expected to:**

- 1) Complete and return the Health and Consent form as requested by the club and detail any 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.
- 2) Ensure the club has up to date contact details for you and any alternative person.
- 3) Deliver and collect the 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. If the club changes your child's lane and changing times, please remember the change is to provide appropriate levels of training to enable your child to progress, and this should be facilitated and encouraged at all times.
- 4) Ensure your child is properly and adequately attired for the training session/events including all required equipment, i.e. hats, goggles etc.
- 5) 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.
- 6) Encourage their child to obey rules, and teach them that they can only do their best.
- 7) Behave responsibly as a spectator at training/meets, and treat swimmers, coaches, committee members and parents of your club (and other clubs) with due respect, thus meeting the ASA commitment to equality, diversity and inclusion.
- 8) Ensure they do not use inappropriate language within the club environment.
- 9) Show appreciation and support your child and all the team members.
- 10) Ensure your child's needs are met in terms of nutritional needs and listen to advice given from the club coach/nutritionist.
- 11) Support the club coach and committee appropriately and raise any concerns you have in an appropriate manner. Details of the club Welfare Officers can be found on the club website and notice boards.
- 12) Do not enter poolside unless requested to do so, or in an emergency. If you wish to have a formal discussion with the Coach check with the club Welfare Officer how this can be arranged.

**13)** Most of all help your child enjoy the sport and achieve to the best of their ability.

**The club will undertake to:**

**A)** Inform you at once if your child is ill, and ensure their wellbeing until you are able to collect him/her.

**B)** Ensure good child protection guidelines are followed at all times to keep your child safe.

**C)** 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:**

**A)** Make a complaint to the club if they feel the club or a member of the club is not acting appropriate to ASA/club laws and rules. Details of how to do this can be obtained from the club Welfare Officers.

**B)** Make a complaint on behalf of their child to the ASA. Any misdemeanours and breach of this code of conduct will be dealt with by the club.

**I agree to abide by the guidance given in this code of conduct:**

**Signed:**

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**Dated:**

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