## **Code of Conduct for Parents/Carers**

## Parents are expected to

- 1. Complete the Health and Consent details on the registration form as requested by the Association and detail any health concerns relevant to the child on the form. Any changes in the state of the child's health should be reported to the Coach prior to coaching sessions. Parents should also ensure the club has up-to-date contact details for you and any alternative person who is authorised to represent you.
- 2. 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 training times, please remember the change is to provide appropriate levels of training to enable your child to progress, and should be facilitated and encouraged at all times.
- 3. Ensure your child is properly and adequately attired for the training session/events including all required equipment, i.e. hats, goggles, drink etc.
- 4. 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.
- 5. Encourage your child to obey rules and teach them that they can only do their best.
- 6. Behave responsibly as a spectator at training/swim meets and treat swimmers, coaches, committee members and parents of your and other clubs with due respect meeting the Swim England commitment to equality, diversity and inclusion.
- 7. Ensure your child does not use inappropriate language within the Association's environment.
- 8. Show appreciation and support your child and all the team members.
- 9. Ensure your child's needs are met in terms of nutritional needs and diet and listen to advice given from the Association's Coach/Nutritionist.
- 10. Support the Association's Coaches and committee appropriately and raise any concerns you have in an appropriate manner. Details of the Association's Welfare Officer can be found on the Association's website or on the noticeboard at the Life Centre.
- 11. Do not enter the poolside unless requested to do so or in an emergency. If you wish to have a discussion with the Coach they may be available before and after the sessions for a brief chat, or you can arrange a meeting by emailing the Swim Secretary on drsaswimsec@gmail.com or the General Secretary gensecdrsa@gmail.com
- 12. Most of all help your child enjoy the sport and achieve to the best of their ability.

## The Association will undertake to:

- a. Inform you at once if your child is ill and ensure their well-being 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:

- i) Make a complaint to the Association if they feel the Association or a member of the Association is not acting appropriate to Swim England/Association laws and rules. This must be in writing or e-mail to the General Secretary.
- ii) Make a complaint on behalf of their child to Swim England.

Any misdemeanours and breach of this code of conduct will be dealt with by the Association.

Code of conduct amended on December 26th 2020 by Paul Russell, General Secretary