



## **Riptide Code of Conduct**

As a **SWIMMER**, I promise to do the following:

- I will obey all rules, regulations, and procedures as determined by the coaching staff.
- I will follow all instructions provided by the coaching staff at practices, meets and team events.
- I will actively participate in practice and compete in all of my events to the best of my ability in swim meets.
- I will exhibit sportsmanship and respect for my teammates, coaches, and opponents at all times.
- I will not in any way endanger the safety of another participant.

I acknowledge that the following conduct is unacceptable and will NOT be tolerated and may result in suspension from practice:

- Disrupting practices in any way - including failing to abide by coaches' and staff directions or disrespecting teammates, coaches, Aquaventure and its members and/or the pool facilities.
- Use of profanity or disrespectful language and/or inappropriate behavior between group members.
- Destruction or damage to Aquaventure, any facility we visit or other member's property.
- Possession or use of alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs or tobacco products.

As a **PARENT**, I promise to do the following:

- I will demonstrate good sportsmanship by conducting myself in a manner that earns the respect of my child, other swimmers, parents, officials and coaches at practices, meets and team events.
- I will encourage my child to conduct him or herself appropriately at all times.
- I will seek to communicate with coaches, staff and other parents to keep myself informed of all team activities. This includes checking email and the website regularly and making sure my child is bringing home all written communication provided by the coaches.

- I will address all questions or concerns directly to the coaching staff in a calm and courteous manner and avoid participating in conversations of speculation regarding the team.
- I will address all billing and scheduling questions or concerns directly to Aquaventure staff in a calm and courteous manner and avoid participating in conversations of speculation regarding the team.
- I will actively participate in all team sponsored meets and activities by volunteering in some capacity as expected.

I acknowledge that the following conduct is unacceptable and will NOT be tolerated:

- Criticizing, name-calling, use of profanity, abusive or disrespectful language or gestures directed toward the coaches, officials, swimmers, other parents or spectators at meets, practices and team events.
- Disrespectfully confronting coaches with questions or problems in front of other parents or swimmers.
- Coaching my child or other swimmers at practice or during meets.
- Any behavior that brings discredit or disruption to our swimmers or our organization.

I understand that failure to abide by the Riptide Code of Conduct by either swimmer or parent may result in immediate disciplinary action as determined by the coaching staff and Aquaventure staff to include but not be limited to:

- Suspension from practice.
- Suspension from an event.
- Suspension from a meet.
- Suspension from the swim team program and/or Aquaventure.
- Forfeiture of all payments or credits for participation in an event and/or program.
- Dismissal from the swim team program.
- Any combination of the above.

I understand that it is an honor and privilege to represent Riptides and Aquaventure Aquatic Campus, and I agree to conduct myself appropriately and honorably at all times while representing the swim team at practices, meets, team travel and any other swim team or Aquaventure functions.

I understand that parents/swimmers must assume responsibility for any property damage caused by their swimmer(s), including any necessary costs of repair, replacement, or extraordinary cleaning.

I understand that the decisions of the coaching staff will prevail in any disciplinary action and that the coaches can make and enforce necessary interpretations of this Riptide Code of Conduct at any time.

I understand that the requirements of the Riptide Code of Conduct are in addition to, and not in lieu of, any requirements of the code of conducts for USA Swimming and Aquaventure Aquatic Campus.