

## Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct

### **I will display good sportsmanship and positive support for all athletes, coaches, parents/guardians and volunteers**

- I will help censor inappropriate behaviors of others as it reflects poorly and can be hurtful.
- I will not swear, bully, taunt, make fun of, harass, or use noisemakers at any time.
- I will respect the officials and coaches and their decisions.
- I will never question, argue, or confront officials or volunteers; I will talk to my coach to resolve issues.
- I will never challenge other parents/guardians during sanctioned swim practices or meets.

### **I understand that South Valley Stingrays is a sports program that focuses on positive emotional and physical development, teamwork, and sportsmanship.**

- I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my child ahead of a personal desire to win.
- I will do my best to make sure that youth sports are a FUN and POSITIVE experience. I will demand a safe and healthy youth sports environment for my child.
- I will demand an environment that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol.
- I will only spectate from the sidelines and will not stand in the starting area behind the blocks or a position that obstructs the view of officials, coaches, or volunteers.
- I will not stand in the starting area during warm-ups.
- I will not take photos or videos behind the starting blocks.
- I will respect and not enter areas designated as athletes/officials/volunteers only.

### **I will refrain from shouting instructions or coaching from the sideline.**

- I understand that shouting instructions to my own child can cause confusion to other athletes and coaches.

### **I will ensure that I treat swimmers, coaches, officials, parents and meet volunteers with respect regardless of race, sex, creed, or ability.**

- I will hold myself and my child accountable to the USA-S and my club's code of conduct.
- I will establish a good line of communication with my child's coach, and bring questions, issues and concerns directly to him/her. My child's coach is responsible for bringing issues to the officials and/or meet staff.

### **I will familiarize myself with the swimming rules for swim meets.**

- I will review and abide by the meet rules documented within the meet sheet.

### ***Enforcement of Code of Conduct***

Enforcement of the code of conduct will vary based on severity of the issues and complaints, up to and including, immediate suspension or removal from the venue, at the Meet Referee, Meet Director or Head Coach's discretion, and possible suspension or removal from the team, per the Head Coach's discretion.

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Signature (All parents/guardians)

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Date