

SAN RAMON VALLEY AQUATICS (SRVA) PARENTS' CODE OF CONDUCT

PURPOSE

Each individual of a Member Family, as defined by SRVA By-Laws, is required to follow the SRVA Rules of Conduct as follows:

1. Member Families will demonstrate positive support and be respectful to all Coaches, Officials, other Parents, swimmers, spectators and competitors.
2. Member Families will be a positive role model and encourage sportsmanship, teamwork, respect and courtesy of all involved in the sport.
3. Member Families will abide by the rules of USA Swimming without demonstrating hostility or violence and will never become confrontational with a coach, official or other parent during a swim meet or practice.
4. Member Families will refrain from disrespectful behavior or aggressive physical contact with any individual.
5. Member Families will put the emotional and physical well-being of athletes ahead of personal desires.
6. Member Families will not interfere with coaches and/or officials during the course of their duties. Members are welcome to contact the coaches outside of the regular practice hours and meets to discuss any issues.
7. Member Families are responsible for the behavior of their children who are participating in practice or competitions. Members will ensure their guests also abide by SRVA's Rules of Conduct.
8. Member Families will not use the SRVA name or SRVA generated information, data, equipment, property or assets without expressed written permission from the SRVA Board of Directors.

These Rules of Conduct are not intended to be all-inclusive. Should other negative conduct occur that is not described here, the Coaches or Board of Directors will decide upon an appropriate disciplinary response. Should a Member Family exhibit conduct that brings discredit or discord to SRVA or USA Swimming, they will be subjected to disciplinary action as a result of said conduct, which will range from probation to termination of membership from SRVA, as determined by the SRLVA Board of Directors. SRVA reserves the right to change, modify, add or delete any rule where it feels such action will benefit the SRVA team. In

addition, SRVA maintains the right to terminate any membership in the interest of SRVA vision, mission and objectives. Effective immediately, these Rules of Conduct will be considered active until such time as new Rules of Conduct are developed by the SRVA Board of Directors.

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The purpose of a code of conduct for parents is to establish consistent expectations for behavior by parents. As a parent/guardian, I understand the important growth and developmental support that my child's participation fosters. I also understand that it is essential to provide the coaching staff with respect and the authority to coach the team. I agree with the following statements:

- I will set the right example for our children by demonstrating sportsmanship and showing respect and common courtesy at all times to the team members, coaches, competitors, officials, parents, and all facilities.
- I will get involved by volunteering, observing practices, cheering at meets, and talking with my child and their coach about their progress.
- I will refrain from coaching my child from the stands during practices or meets.
- I understand that criticizing, name-calling, use of abusive language or gestures directed toward coaches, officials, volunteers, and/or any participating swimmer will not be tolerated.
- I will respect the integrity of the officials.
- I will direct my concerns to first to my swimmer's Coach; then, if not satisfied, to the SRVA Head Coach.

I understand the above expectations and that my failure to adhere to them may result in disciplinary action.