

Swimmer Code of Conduct

I. Village Field Club (VFC) Swim Team aims to promote the following opportunities for its swimmers:

- A. The development of basic and advanced swimming skills;
- B. An environment which supports and encourages all members of the club, regardless of age or ability; and
- C. An atmosphere that encourages friendships and social activities among the swimmers, parents and coaches.

II. As a member of VFC Swim Team, each swimmer is expected to conduct himself/herself in accordance with the following provisions at practices, meets, social activities and all other occasions where the member is representing the club:

- A. All VFC Swim Team members shall exhibit good sportsmanship in and out of the pool;
- B. All VFC Swim Team members shall follow the coaches, officials and other administrator's rules and instructions at all times;
- C. All VFC Swim Team members shall respect and take care of all property and facilities whether the property belongs to the member, a teammate, opponent or any other person;
- D. All VFC Swim Team members shall show up for practice on time and be ready and willing to participate and listen to coaches and be respectful of teammates;
- E. All VFC Swim Team members shall not use profane language or be disrespectful to any other person; and
- F. All VFC Swim Team members shall not participate in horseplay, running on deck, or any other activity that could create a danger to themselves or others.

Parent Code of Conduct

As parent of a VFC Swimmer(s) I agree to the following:

1. I will remember that children participate to have fun and that swimming is for the children and I will not force my child to swim.
2. I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all swimmers, coaches, officials, and spectators at every meet, practice or other swimming event.
3. I will teach and demand that my child treat other swimmers, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex, or ability.

4. I will respect the officials and their authority during meets and will never question, discuss, or confront coaches on the pool deck (from the stands during practice or meets), and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place.

5. I will resolve conflicts with other parents, coaching staff and board members in an open and amicable manner. I will keep communication open with all parties involved.

6. I will make every effort to have my child at practice on time and pick-up promptly after practice.

7. I agree to volunteer during the swim season and honor my volunteer commitment.

Failure to comply with the Code of Conduct will result in the following disciplinary actions, but not limited to:

- A. First Strike – Swimmer will be asked to sit out practice and not return to the water until the following day.
- B. Second Strike – Swimmer will be asked to leave practice and the coaching staff for the VFC Swim Team will arrange to discuss with parents.
- C. Third Strike – VFC Board will become involved in determining appropriate discipline action.

This must be signed by both swimmer and parent prior to swimmer entering the water for Swim Team Season 2011 at the VFC.

Swimmer name printed

Swimmer signature

Date

Parent name printed

Parent signature

Date

