



SHOREFRONT Y SWIMMERS CODE OF CONDUCT AGREEMENT

I, _____, as a member of Shorefront Y Swim Team, acknowledge that following certain basic rules of conduct are important to my development as a swimmer, as well as my relationship with my parents, coaches, and teammates. The way I behave myself is a reflection of The Shorefront Y Swim Team's reputation. I realize that not acting in a proper way while engaged in team activities is harmful to me and to my team. It prevents me from becoming the best swimmer and person I can be. I therefore pledge to observe the following basic rules of conduct while at the Shorefront YM-YWHA for any reason or involved in Shorefront Y swimming related activities (on site or off site):

___ 1. I will respect teammates, coaches, officials, security professionals, volunteers, other staff and opponents at all times by showing good sportsmanship on and off the pool deck.

___ 2. I will support and encourage teammates by setting a positive example.

___ 3. I will listen to and learn from my coaches. I will refrain from disruptive behavior at practice and meets.

___ 4. I will arrive on deck at least 5 minutes prior to the start of practice and 15 minutes prior to the warm-up session at swim meets.

___ 5. I will always notify a coach when I need to leave the deck area at either a practice or a meet.

___ 6. I will not have any intentional physical interaction with other swimmers. Swimming is a non-contact sport.

___ 7. I will demonstrate exemplary conduct and behavior at all times when at the Shorefront Y or representing the Shorefront Y at a meet or meeting at another facility.

Anti-Bullying Agreement

Everyone has the right to feel physically and emotionally safe at the pool. Swimmers, Parents, and Coaches will do everything they can personally, as members of the Shorefront Y, to create and preserve a physically and emotionally safe environment. Parents will commit to encouraging their children to always respect others and instruct their swimmer(s) not to bully.

I agree to the following additional rules:

___ 1. I will not bully my peers or others, under any circumstances.

___ 2. If/when bullying is witnessed I will report it to a coach.

When representing the Shorefront Y Swim Team, whether at the Shorefront Y facility or at another facility, swimmers and parents/guardians agree to:

- Obey all rules, regulations and procedures as determined by the coaching staff.
- Follow all instructions provided by the coaching staff at practices, meets and team events.
- Exhibit sportsmanship and respect for teammates, coaches and opponents at all times.
- Communicate with coaches and other parents to stay informed of all team activities and events.
- Address all questions or concerns directly to the coaching staff in a calm and courteous manner.
- Actively and enthusiastically participate in all team meets.
- Uphold the Shorefront Y values of Honesty, Caring, Respect and Responsibility at all times.

The following conduct is unacceptable and will not be tolerated:

- Disrupting practices or meets or disrupting other Shorefront Y programs in any way including failing to abide by coaches' directions or disrespecting teammates, coaches, the Shorefront Y, its members and/or the pool facilities. Disrespect toward anyone (other visitors/members) at the Shorefront YM-YWHA or at a meet is also unacceptable.
- Swimmers may not disrupt practice by interacting with other adults, members or swimmers in other programs during practice.
- Parents and/or guests may not be disruptive to swimmers or staff during practice or at meets.
- Destruction or damage to our Shorefront Y, any facility we visit or other team members' property.
- Possession and/or use of alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs or tobacco products.
- Criticizing, name-calling, use of profanity, abusive or disrespectful language or gestures directed toward the coaches, officials, swimmers, other parents, other Shorefront Y staff, security, spectators at meets, practices and team events.
- Confronting coaches with concerns or problems in front of other parents or swimmers.

Meet Conduct

Competitor or spectator shall not act in an unsportsmanlike-like manner at any time. This includes, but is not limited, to the following:

1. Make insulting or derogatory remarks, gestures or acts, this includes taunting.
2. Try to influence or show disgust with officials' decisions.
3. Interfere with meet officials or coaches in the performance of their duties.
4. Use obscene language.

Failure to abide by the Shorefront Y Swimmers Code of Conduct by either the swimmer or the parent/guardian may result in immediate disciplinary action as determined by the coaching staff to include but not be limited to:

- Suspension from practice and/or an event.
- Suspension from the swim team program and/or the Shorefront Y.
- Dismissal from the swim team program and/or the Shorefront Y.
- Any combination of the above.

All instances of student disciplinary action will be documented and communicated to the parent/guardian and decisions of the coaching staff are final. The Aquatics Director together with the Head Coach and the Assistant Coach(es) will make the final decision in matters of discipline or dismissal based on the degree of violation of the above code.

In signing this agreement I hereby acknowledge my acceptance of the Shorefront Y Swimmers Code of Conduct.

PARENT NAME (PRINT NAME) _____

PARENT SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

SWIMMER'S NAME (PRINT NAME) _____

SWIMMER SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____