

Wolfville Tritons Swim Club Code of Conduct

The WTSC is committed to providing our athletes with an environment that will enable them to achieve their potential as well as an environment in which all individuals (athletes, coaches, officials, volunteers and families) are treated with respect. Encouragement goes a long way in the development and achievement of a swimmer and affects the environment that they train/compete in. We like to promote a supportive atmosphere for all of our athletes and families. Support your swimmer's sport of choice!

- I will conduct myself at all times in a manner consistent with the values of the WTSC, which include fairness, integrity and respect. This pertains to interaction with all athletes, other parents, officials, board members and coaches.
- I will not engage in destructive gossip regarding coaches, parents, athletes or officials.
- I will demonstrate appropriate behaviour at team events. I agree that profanity and strong language are unacceptable around children's teams.
- I will remember that my child participates in this sport for his or her enjoyment, not mine
- I will ensure that my child arrives at practice and meets on time.
- If I have questions or concerns with respect to my child's swim program, I should contact my child's coach directly first. Any further concerns will be directed to the Head Coach. If my concern is still not resolved, I will contact the President/and or Vice President of the Club. I will contact my child's coach and make arrangements to meet well before practice or after but never on deck during practices or meets.
- I acknowledge that all meet lineups, including relays, will be assigned by the coaching staff. **Swimmers are expected to be willing and available to swim in all relays** and should plan to attend the entire meet unless or until they are excused by their coach.
- I understand that coaching is conducted for the good of the group/team and not on an individual basis.
- I will encourage a healthy lifestyle including nutritious foods and adequate sleep.
- In support of team spirit and unity, I will ensure that my swimmer will have the proper equipment and team attire as per the equipment list for their swim group, as distributed at registration.
- I will be supportive of my child and the team at all times, regardless of performance level.
- I understand for myself, and will ensure that my swimmer understands that internet web sites, such as, but not limited to, Facebook, on which people socialize and exchange information, shall not be used to contact or post remarks or pictures for any reason that that can be considered inflammatory, degrading or in poor taste toward any other athletes (Tritons or otherwise), coach, parent or volunteer.
- I will not approach coaches, swimmers, parents or officials on the swim deck or off for any reason other than for congratulatory purposes and polite conversation.
- I will support my swimmer and the Club by volunteering my time to assist in meets, social events and fundraising activities.
- I understand that volunteer organizations such as the WTSC depend on the energy and goodwill of parents to fulfill numerous, essential roles. When I have an issue with my parent rep, meet coordinators or Board members, I will respect that these are all volunteers working on my

child's behalf. If I feel the need to take issue with any member of our 'team', I will do so privately and directly with the people involved. If resolution is not achieved, I will contact the club President and/or Vice President.

A productive and safe atmosphere promoting camaraderie and family values is accomplished through the collaborative efforts of our parents, athletes, coaches and staff. With these values in mind, I understand that failure to comply with these Codes may result in appropriate action as determined by the Board of Directors, including termination of membership if deemed necessary.

As a parent/guardian of _____, I promise to abide by this WTSC Code of Conduct.

Signed (parent's name): _____

Date: _____