



# Abingdon **Dolphins**

## **Code of Conduct for Parents**

The Club adopts and operates under the policies of the ASA, the ASA Code of Ethics and Child Protection procedures and guidelines, the full policy documents and procedures can be found on [www.britishswimming.org](http://www.britishswimming.org).

### **Parents are expected to:**

- Encourage my swimmer(s) to enjoy their lessons/activities in a friendly, safe and respectful environment.
- Support my swimmer(s) by:
- Helping them to arrive on time for lessons.
- Fostering independence by encouraging them to be responsible for bringing and looking after their equipment.
- Encouraging them to have a healthy diet and enough sleep. Helping them to follow their code of conduct.
- Making sure they are not swimming whilst unwell or injured without agreeing a programme of recovery with the teacher.
- Provide a model of good behaviour for all pupils. Be friendly to all new pupils and their parents; make them feel welcome and included.
- Monitor the club website for important information about up coming events and changes to lesson times.
- Pay lesson fees, and all other payments at the required time.
- Follow all centre Health & Safety procedures.
- Respecting all other centre users. In addition ensure that any non-swimming children in your charge do so too.



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## **During lessons:**

You are welcome to stay for the duration of lesson. You must however observe the Health & Safety procedures and to minimise poolside noise and distraction, you are asked to stay in the spectators' area (where such facilities exist). Please keep any noise and distractions to a minimum and do not call out to your children once lessons have begun. If you have other children with you they must be supervised at all times.

Children under eight must not be left alone at the centre. No children should be allowed to wander around the centre unsupervised.

You are reminded that during lessons/activities the teacher must concentrate on the pupils. If you have questions for the teacher about your individual child, you can arrange a mutually convenient time to speak outside of lesson times. During lessons parents are asked to leave the teaching, management and constructive criticisms of swimming technique to the teacher.

The swimmers must be collected promptly at the end of the lesson, teachers are not responsible for the children outside the pool.

You are responsible for your children in the changing room. No horseplay, teasing, bad language or fighting will be accepted either in the changing rooms or on poolside.

## **Other Important information;**

Parents should notify their teacher if pupils take any additional medication during the year.

Any pupils suffering from an injury that will prevent them from fully participating in lessons/activities should notify their teacher immediately and work with them to devise a timetable of recovery.

Any instances of bullying should be reported to the pupil's teacher, who should deal with the situation or refer it to Club Welfare Officer.

## **Sanctions**

**Please note that no monies will be returned in lieu of subscriptions paid if a swimmer is excluded or expelled from lessons as a result of disciplinary action.**