

**DAVENPORT METRO SWIM CLUB
CODE OF CONDUCT**

The Davenport Metro Swim Club is made up of swimmers ranging in age from five to over eighteen years. These swimmers represent many different swimming abilities. Despite the differences, the one thing shared in common by everyone is that they must conduct themselves in a manner which shows respect for other swimmers, swim coaches, and facilities, whether at practice, or at a meet. It must be realized that you, the swimmer, are representing not only yourself, but also your family and your team. Everything you do, whether at swimming functions, or outside of swimming, is reflected back on those associated with you.

The following **CODE OF CONDUCT** is a general outline of the type of behavior which all METRO swimmers, as well as their parents, are expected to follow at all times. The club recognizes that it is difficult to document all possible situations and therefore empowers the coaches to discipline for any instances that are disruptive to the productivity of the overall group at practice or meets.

As a member of the Davenport Metro Swim Club, I promise that:

- ***I will listen to coaches, and I will not disrupt team practices or meetings.***
- ***I will not use profanity (swearing).***
- ***I will not physically, or verbally, abuse any other swimmer, coach, or official.***
- ***I will respect the equipment and personal belongings of others, and will not use other persons' equipment without permission.***
- ***I will not take part in unsportsmanlike conduct such as taunting, poor showmanship, etc.***
- ***I will not deliberately damage or misuse equipment or facilities.***
- ***I will not make comments of derogatory nature (including comments that can be viewed as sexual harassment), nor will I take part in public displays of affection.***

I understand that failure to comply with these rules will subject me to immediate contact of my parents and disciplinary action as deemed appropriate by the coach on deck.

At the discretion of the coach, disciplinary action will include removal from up to one week of practice including any meets or club functions that may occur in that timeframe. If more extensive discipline is required, the coaches committee will determine suspension and/or expulsion on a case-by-case basis.

The following are examples of actions that are subject to immediate suspension from the club, and review by the coaches committee to determine if expulsion is appropriate. Other actions potentially are subject to suspension or expulsion at the direction of the coaches or coaches committee.

- The use of drugs, alcohol or tobacco products affecting any club activity.
- Conviction for any unlawful act.
- Theft of club, facility or swimmer property.
- Extreme demonstration of disrespect to property or individuals related to club activities.

Swimmer's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent's Signature _____ Date _____