

ULSTER REGION – SWIM IRELAND

SWIMMERS CODE OF CONDUCT

This code is to be read by swimmers who qualify for, or are selected for any Ulster Region Swim Ireland team. The swimmer or if under 18 years of age, then a parent must sign the certificate accepting the rules.

If you do not have a UK/Irish Birth Certificate and are not resident in the Irish Republic or Northern Ireland then you are advised to notify the UR-SI of your status. Membership of Ulster Region/Swim Ireland Teams is governed by FINA Law GR2, International Relations.

1. All team members are required to join the team at its point of departure and return to that point with the team. Requests for individual exceptions from the travel plan must be communicated to the Squad Administrator or Team Manager well in advance of departure and will only be considered in exceptional circumstances.
2. From arrival at the meeting point, you are responsible to the appointed Team Officials until the trip is complete and the team disperses.
3. As a representative of the Ulster Region and your country, you are expected to dress and behave in a fitting manner.
4. Socially improper language is not acceptable, in the company of your team members or in public.
5. All members are required to wear the kit and equipment issued by the current sponsor, whilst competing for or representing Ulster. This applies from the start of a representative trip until the team disperses. No logos or advertising may be added to said gear without the prior written agreement of Ulster Region.
6. Swimmers may not obtain sponsorship without the written permission of Ulster Region.
7. Team members must attend all meetings and other functions as directed by the Team Officials.
8. Punctuality is required on all occasions.
9. Curfews or other restrictions are in your interests and must be observed.
10. Swimmers must join the team free of the effects of alcohol and are not permitted to consume alcohol until the competition/camp is over. At that time, swimmers who are 18 years of age or older may, with the express permission of the Team Manager, consume alcohol. Alcohol may only be consumed in the place assigned for it. Swimmers, under the legal drinking age are not permitted to consume alcohol, at any time. Swimmers who are permitted to consume alcohol are required to be responsible in their consumption. Intoxication will not be tolerated and will result in severe penalties.
11. Swimmers are required to ensure that the Team Manager is fully informed of approved medications required. If a medical doctor has approved the medication then a written statement from them as to its content and dosage is required to be presented to the Team Manager

prior to the trip. Under FINA Law, YOU are responsible for ensuring that you do not breach FINA drug laws and you may be required to submit to a FINA drug test.

1. Swimmers are required to co-operate with the Media so long as such co-operation does not interfere with their race preparation or the instructions of the Meet Organiser. The Team Manager will approve all interviews and be present or represented, where and when appropriate. In such interviews, swimmers are required to present a positive image of Ulster Region and the team, and to wear the kit issued by the sponsor. Team members are not permitted to publicly criticise the administrative or technical affairs of Ulster Region – Swim Ireland. Such concerns should be put directly to Ulster Region Executive.
2. Negative comment or criticism of the Team should be reserved for Team meetings. It is important that there is mutual respect and unity amongst team members. Swimmers with a grievance should communicate it to the Team Manager. If they are still dissatisfied, they have the right to discuss the matter with the Ulster Region – Swim Ireland Executive.
3. Team members are required to sit with the Team and to communicate with the Team Coach shortly before and shortly after their race. Any necessary departure from the Team or its daily plan should be discussed with the Team Manager.
4. Any form of sexual activity is considered inappropriate within a training and or competition experience and is therefore forbidden whilst the swimmer is under the jurisdiction of the Team Manager.
5. The Team Manager has the authority to deal with all disciplinary matters and the duty to impose penalties. There may include withdrawal from further competition or sending home of swimmers. Serious breaches of this Code will be reported to the Management Committee, who may take further action.

I have read the Code of Conduct and agree to its terms:

Signed: _____ (swimmer) Dated: _____

If the swimmer is under 18 years of age, a parent or guardian is required to sign below.

I agree that my son/daughter/ward sign the above and I accept that the terms of the Code of Conduct will apply to them whilst members of an Ulster Team:

Signed: _____ (parent/guardian) Dated: _____

You are advised to retain a copy of this document for reference