

## **CODE OF CONDUCT**

## **SWIMMERS**

- I will abide by Swimming Australia's code of conduct,
- I will never argue with an official. If I disagree with a decision I will inform the captain, coach or manager during a break or after the competition
- I will control my temper. I understand that verbal abuse of officials and sledging other swimmers and deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent are not acceptable or permitted behaviours in any sport
- I will work equally hard for myself and/or my team
- I will be a good sport and applaud all good efforts whether they are made by my team or the opposition
- I will treat all participants in my sport as I like to be treated. I will not bully or take unfair advantage of another competitor
- I will cooperate with my coach, team mates and opponents
- · I will display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat
- I will participate for my own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please parents and coaches
- I will not arrive at the venue intoxicated or drink alcohol at junior matches
- I will respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
- I will thank the opposition and officials at the end of the events.

## **PARENTS**

- I will abide by Swimming Australia's code of conduct,
- I won't pressure my child in any way I know that this is their sport not mine
- I will not use bad language, nor will I harass swimmers, coaches, officials or other spectators
- I will encourage my child to play within the rules and respect officials' and coaches' decisions no matter what
- I will teach my child to respect the efforts of their opponents
- I will remember that children learn best by example so I will applaud good plays/performances by both my child's team and their opponents
- I will give positive comments that motivate and encourage continued effort
- I will focus on my child's efforts and performance not the result
- I will thank the coaches, officials and other volunteers who give their time to conduct the event for my child  $\Box$  I will help when asked by a coach or official
- I won't criticise or ridicule my child's performance after the event
- I will not arrive at the venue intoxicated or drink alcohol at swimming events
- I will respect the rights, dignity and worth of all people involved in the sport, regardless of their gender, ability or cultural background.