

RULES OF CONDUCT FOR CONNECTICUT SWIMMING, INC.

In order to provide a safe, fair and enjoyable environment for the sport of swimming in the State of Connecticut, this statement has been adopted. Each Group Member, Individual Member and non-member parent or volunteer and invited member of the public shall abide by the applicable codes of conduct and ethics, policies, procedures, rules and regulations adopted by United States Swimming, Inc. and Connecticut Swimming, Inc. ("CSI"), including their obligations and responsibilities as set forth in the CSI Bylaws, as amended.

In addition, the following Rules of Conduct apply to all members of CSI, parents, volunteers and invited members of the public while within the Swimming Venue in or out of the State of Connecticut. As used in these Rules, "Swimming Venue" shall include in the broadest sense, the location, the facility and its interior, exterior, furniture, fixtures, systems and other appointments, grounds, parking facilities and other premises adjacent or subordinate thereto used for a swimming meet or any other swimming-related activity. These rules should be reviewed by athletes, parents and other non-member volunteers, officials and coaches so that there is no misunderstanding of the rules.

The CSI Rules of Conduct are:

- 1. There shall be no possession or use of drugs and other illegal substances of any kind. The use of alcohol or tobacco is prohibited throughout the Swimming Venue.
- 2. There shall be no willful damage to the Swimming Venue.
- 3. There shall be no willful damage to the property or person of another party while at the Swimming Venue.
- 4. There shall be no stealing.
- 5. There shall be no unsportsman-like, irresponsible or unsafe conduct at the Swimming Venue.
- 6. There shall be no verbal threats or threatening gestures or insubordinate conduct to officials, marshals, coaches or other meet personnel.
- 7. There shall be no violation of any posted or announced regulations and rules that pertain to a specific Swimming Venue or activity.
- 8. There shall be no coaches or officials on the pool deck that do not have current USS Registration Cards. Coaches must also have current certifications in First Aid, CPR and Safety Training. Officials must have a current CSI official's card or that of another LSC.
- 9. There shall be no one on the pool deck including parents or siblings, unless they are actively participating in the meet as a swimmer, meet volunteer (timer, marshal, etc.) official or a member of a Group Member's coaching staff. No one under age five shall be permitted on the pool deck at any USA/CSI sanctioned meet or sanctioned activity.

Any individual who violates any of the specific CSI rules above or any of the rules, etc. referred to in the first paragraph is subject to ejection from the pool deck or Swimming Venue by the Meet Director, Meet Referee or a marshal acting on the instruction of one of them. Other penalties may apply depending on the nature of the violation. The coach of any individual who is in violation of any of the foregoing rules shall, upon being advised thereof by the Meet Director or Meet Referee attempt to notify the individual's parents and subsequently remove that individual from the pool deck or the Swimming Venue as directed. Individuals and parents are responsible for making total restitution for any and all damages. Group Members shall be liable jointly for acts of their members, coaches, athletes, parents and other personnel which occur after a responsible person for the Group Member is notified of the actions of any of such persons. Actions taken pursuant to this paragraph may be appealed to the CSI Board of Review in accordance with Article Ten of the CSI Bylaws. In addition, athletes, coaches and officials being barred from further participation in a swimming meet may appeal to a Meet Committee if one has been so designated.