

Parent/Guardian Athlete Code of Conduct

As a parent/guardian of a swimmer at BeFirst Swim Team, I will abide by the following guidelines at all team practices, team meets, and team events:

1. I will not coach or instruct the team or any swimmer at a practice or at meets (from the stands or any other area). This interferes with coaches on the pool deck. I recognize that the **B1ST** Coaches are professionals and I will allow them to coach my child without interference.

2. I will be a good role model by conducting myself in a manner that **Honors the Sport**: showing respect for the rules, the officials, the opponents, the teammates and myself.

3. I will maintain self-control at all times. I will know my role: **Let the Swimmers Swim, Coaches Coach, Officials Officiate, and Parents Support.**

4. I understand that criticizing, name-calling, use of abusive language or gestures directed toward the coaches, officials, other parents and/or spectators and/or any participating swimmer will not be tolerated, and I may be asked to leave the program.

5. I understand that participation in sports can be dangerous and may result in injury or death. I assume these risks when I register my child and agree to hold harmless **BeFirst Swim Team** and its coaches, volunteers, staff and directors, for injury, death, or loss of property due to my child's involvement.

6. I give permission that, in the event of an injury or accident, my child maybe taken to the nearest doctor or hospital and given emergency treatment.

7. I agree that my child will abide by the Code of Conduct established by **BeFirst Swim Team** and **AFC Feasterville** which promotes sportsmanship, respect for others at all times, and a drug -free lifestyle. I also understand that failure to abide by this Code of Conduct may result in loss of my child's participation and membership privileges.

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8. The **BeFirst Swim Team** will provide direct supervision for youth enrolled in **B1ST** programs during scheduled programs. The **B1ST** will not be held responsible for the supervision of children outside program areas or beyond indicated program times. During non-scheduled programming, children under age 12 must be accompanied by an individual over the age of 18 at all times.

9. Children under age 12 must be accompanied by an adult over age 18 while practice with **BeFirst Swim Team** in the **AFC Feasterville**. Please make sure you are accompanying your children under age 12 into the building and bring them down to the pool for practice. Please be there to supervise them in the locker rooms and out of the building. Our coaching staff is not responsible for the swimmers outside of the program area (the pool). The **AFC Feasterville** building is very large and we want your children to be safe.

10. The following conduct will not be tolerated and may result in suspension or dismissal from the team: Unsportsmanlike conduct toward coaches, officials, adults, or other swimmers, the use of inappropriate language, destructive or indiscreet behavior.

11. Parents are welcomed to observe any swim practice from out side pool deck. Due to insurance issues, parents are not permitted to remain on the pool deck during practice.

12. Parents should never coach, instruct, or try to talk to their swimmer(s) during practice. This is not only distracting for the swimmer, it is also disruptive for the coaching staff. Trying to instruct your child regarding stroke techniques and/or race strategies, will only lead to confusion for the swimmer. Please allow our professional coaching staff to address the technical aspects of swimming.

13. It is the parent's responsibility to make the coaches aware of any medical conditions/problems of their children.

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Due to the fact that swimming lessons and team activities of **BeFirst Swim Team (B1ST)** are held in the **AFC Feasterville**. Athletes and Parent must follow the all **AFC Feasterville** policies, Code of Conduct, Behavior Policy and Pool Rules of **AFC Feasterville** which are available through the web site www.afcfitness.com , in your contract with **AFC Feasterville** or deck pool.

I have read and acknowledged all **AFC Feasterville** policies, Code of Conduct, Behavior Policy and Pool rules. I agree to abide by the provisions stated in the all **AFC Feasterville** policies, Code of Conduct, Behavior Policy and Rules of **AFC Feasterville** pool.

Parent/Guardian must follow the all **BeFirst Swim Team (B1ST)** and **USA Swimming** (www.usaswimming.org) policies, Code of Conduct, Behavior Policy are available through the web site www.b1-swim.com.

No swimmer will be allowed to register for **BeFirst Swim Team** without **B1ST** having received legitimate acknowledgement and confirmation that these policies, Code of Conduct, Behavior Policy and Pool rules have been read by the families and swimmer(s).

It is the parent's responsibility to ensure their swimmer(s) have read the **B1ST** and **AFC Feasterville** program policies, Code of Conduct, Behavior Policy and Pool rules.

USA Swimming member clubs and LSCs are required to implement this Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy and USA Swimming Safe Sport policies in full. The **Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy** must be reviewed and agreed to in writing by all athletes, parents, coaches and other non-athlete members of member clubs on an annual basis with such written agreement to be retained by the club. The [Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy \(MAAPP\)](#) and USA Swimming Safe Sport policies are available through the web site www.b1-swim.com.

I understand the above expectations and that my failure to adhere to them may result in disciplinary action.

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