



# SOUTH TYNESIDE SWIM TEAM

## SOUTH TYNESIDE SWIMMING CLUB CODE OF CONDUCT

This document is for all swimmers and parents of swimmers already members or preparing to join the Squads of South Tyneside Swimming Club (STSC). It is requested that swimmers and parents jointly read, sign and date the section of this document paying particular attention to the consequences of any breach of rules.

Like any organisation we have rules, however by working in conjunction with parents, swimmers, coaches and the committee it is anticipated that all swimmers will understand the reasons behind each of the rules.

### **Breach of Rules**

When swimmers do behave in such a way as to offend against the principles of good behaviour in the swimming club then sanctions may apply. These can vary from an on-the-spot reprimand to a letter sent home to parents for those swimmers who are under 18 years of age. For serious or persistent breaches there is the possibility of a temporary or permanent exclusion from the club.

At all times, we expect swimmers to following the principles set out below:

**Consideration** – respecting everyone else as an individual, making sure words and actions do not cause hurt or inconvenience to anybody.

**Courteous** – being polite and helpful at all times.

**Co-operative** – working as a team.

**Friendly** – being on good terms with each other.

**Hardworking** – doing our best at all times.

**Forgiving** – accepting that everyone can make a mistake.

**Responsible** – being reliable and responsible for our actions, behaving as part of a team.

**When representing STSC** we expect the following behaviour from all swimmers:

Always wear seat belts whilst travelling to and from galas on club coaches. The club cannot be held responsible if swimmers fail to wear their seat belts.

Do not take part in any form of anti-social behaviour such as bullying, fighting, name calling etc.

Under no circumstances will the following be tolerated:

- drinking alcohol under age
- physical violence or threatening behaviour
- damage to property or theft of property
- sexist or racist behaviour
- smoking
- being in possession of, taking or selling illegal substances

Always come to competitions in club kit, details of which can be found on the notice board at Hebburn, or the club web site at [www.stswim79.co.uk](http://www.stswim79.co.uk)

Please sign and date the tear off section below and return it to your squad representative as soon as possible.

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Name of swimmer:

Squad

Signature of swimmer ..... Date .....

Signature of parent/guardian ..... Date.....