

## Members' Application, Obligations and Responsibilities

## **Members' Application Acceptance**

On accepting a place in Amersham Swimming and Diving Club. Swimmers will be accepted on a 3 month temporary trial with the Club from the date swimming commences.

On accepting a place at Amersham Swimming and Diving Club the swimmer confirms that they are an amateur in accordance with the current Swim England laws and agrees to abide by the Rules and Bye-laws of ASC.

## Members' Obligations and Responsibilities

Swimming Members of the Club should strive to achieve swimming excellence at the highest level of which they are capable. In addition they are expected to support the Club in the pursuing its objectives as a competitive swimming club. They should, in full consultation with the Coach, and, in the case of under-18s, their parents, establish and agree clear, achievable goals and milestones and make a commitment to a training regime to achieve those goals and those of the Club.

This commitment requires:

1. Commitment to squad criteria and attendance as laid down in the squad information on the website:

## a. Swimming

- Participation in galas and competitions in team events for which the swimmer has been selected, which may include Novice galas, Thames Valley Junior League, Milton Keynes Junior League, National Swimming League and relays at County, District and National level. For events distant from home, this may include a need to pay for overnight accommodation.
- 3. Attending as many as possible of the major meets as agreed with your coaches.
- 4. Looking at the website, emails and bulletins regularly to keep well informed.
- 5. Swimmers and parents are expected to abide by the Club's Codes of Conduct for members and parents (these can be found on the website under Home Club documents) and always behave with dignity and respect when involved with training, swimming or social events connected with the Club.
- 6. No bad language is to be used at any time. Deliberate disruption of a training session is unacceptable.
- 7. Appropriate attire is to be worn at all times at swim meets.

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- 8. Medal and trophy winners should either stay to receive their award personally, or arrange for a club-mate to collect it for them. In either case the recipient should be correctly attired in Club kit, with pool shoes.
- 9. Administrative matters should be dealt with promptly:
  - a. All training, membership and gala fees should be paid on time. Families or individuals, including students, with temporary financial hardship can apply, in confidence, to the Treasurer for individual consideration of their financial commitment to the Club.
  - b. All competition entry should be filled in completely and correctly on TeamUnify before the indicated closing date.
- 10. Complaints regarding any aspect of the Club should normally be made to the Chairman of the Club who will initiate procedures to act in a prompt and effective manner in accordance with the Club's constitution. Any issue which is mentioned, either formally or informally, to a Club Committee member or the Coach, which is not dealt with quickly, can be referred immediately to the Chairman for action.
- 11. You have a right to participate in swimming without fear of inappropriate verbal or physical approaches from others within the Club, or the wider swimming community, whether in positions of authority or fellow-members. Any behaviour with which you are unhappy should be brought to the attention of a Coach or Committee Member as soon as possible.
- 12. Everyone involved with swimming is bound by the Swim England Laws and Swim England Code of Ethics. A copy is available from your Coach.
- 13. The club operates a policy of "Opt-out" for photography. Please contact the Membership Secretary for full details and if you would like to opt out.

Above all, ENJOY your swimming and do everything you can to make it enjoyable for others!

We hereby confirm that we have read and understood the Members' Application, Obligations and Responsibilities and we agree to abide by the terms thereof.

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