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CENTRAL ZONE CHAMPIONSHIP MEET

GUIDELINES FOR CODE OF CONDUCT VIOLATIONS

All athletes, coaches and LSC staff members must have signed a “Code of Conduct.” This must be on file with the designated LSC Representative while attending the Central Zone Championship Meet.

The Meet Host shall enclose a copy of the “sample” LSC Code of Conduct with the Meet Information when it is

distributed to participating teams for use if there is no LSC Code of Conduct.

Article 401.1 of Part Four (USA Swimming Rules and Regulations) states “...USA Swimming may censure,

place on probation, suspend for a definite or indefinite period of time with or without terms of probation, fine,

or expel any member of USA Swimming, including any athlete, coach, manager, official, member of any

committee, or any person participating in any capacity whatsoever in the affairs of USA Swimming, who has

violated any of its rules or regulations, or who aids, abets, and encourages another to violate any of its rules

or regulations, or who has acted in a manner which brings disrepute upon USA Swimming or upon the sport

of swimming. USA Swimming may also conduct hearings on any matter affecting USA Swimming as the

National Governing Body for swimming.”

In the instance of any violations, this procedure shall be followed:

1. Report, in writing, the violation or offense to the Meet Referee and the Zone Observer.
2. The offense must be verified and the report must include:
 - A. The name and LSC of the person(s) who committed the offense;
 - B. The name and means of contacting the person(s) who were affected by the violation;
 - C. The nature and details of the violation;
 - D. The name of the LSC Representative of the person(s) who committed the offense.
3. The Zone Championship Meet Coordinator will contact the person(s) charged with the offense and their LSC Representative.
4. If the situation does not have legal implications and can be resolved to the satisfaction of all persons involved, the matter will simply be reported, in writing, to:
 - A. The Representative of the host LSC;
 - B. The person(s) who committed the offense;
 - C. The LSC General Chairman of the person(s) who committed the offense;
 - D. The LSC Representative of the person(s) who committed the offense;
 - E. The person(s) whom the violation affected;
 - F. The Zone Directors and Coordinators.
5. If the situation has legal implications and/or cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of all persons involved,

the matter shall be officially reported to the LSC of the person(s) charged with the offense, with a request or recommendation from the Zone Directors and Coordinators for suitable disciplinary action.

6. Within 30 days of the official report, the LSC must advise the Zone Directors, in writing, that the review process has been initiated. The LSC must also advise the Zone Directors of the final action taken. If the consensus of the Zone Directors and Coordinators is that the LSC of the person(s) charged did not take appropriate action, the matter may be referred to the National Board of Review for hearing and decision.

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CODE OF CONDUCT

LSC _____

SAMPLE: The LSC shall use this form if there is no “Code of Conduct” form used by your LSC.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this Code is to promote the best possible LSC Team and individual impression at all times and to acknowledge each individual’s responsibilities as members of our team.

PART I – GENERAL CONDUCT:

1. All participating LSC Team members shall abide by this Code of Conduct.
2. Curfews will be strictly obeyed unless participant has contacted the coach for an extension.
3. The use of alcoholic beverages is forbidden.
4. The use of drugs, other than those prescribed by your physician, is forbidden.
5. The use of tobacco products is forbidden.
6. The use of fireworks is forbidden.
7. Indiscreet or destructive behavior will not be tolerated. Every effort should be made to avoid guilt by association with such activities.
8. Swimmers will treat their membership on the Team as a privilege and personally acknowledge those responsibilities associated with it.

PART II – VIOLATION OF THE CODE: The coach and chaperone have the power to impose penalties for violation of the Code. The penalties include, but are limited to the following:

1. The Swimmer will be scratched from the Championship Meet.
2. The Swimmer will be sent home immediately, at his/her own expense.
3. The Swimmer will forfeit his/her privilege of being a member of LSC Team.

I hereby agree to abide by the rules of conduct set forth in Part I above and acknowledge that, should I violate any provision of Part I, I will be subject to disciplinary actions as set forth in Part II, including suspension.

Swimmer: _____

Date: _____

Signature

Please Print Name

Parent/Guardian _____ Date:

Signature

Please Print Name