

Swimmer's Code of Conduct – Martinsburg Marlins Swim Team

1. I will represent the Marlins with excellence by demonstrating and encouraging good sportsmanship and respect for all those in my presence regardless of race, gender, creed or abilities and will expect to be treated accordingly.
2. I will make every effort to attend each scheduled practice and swim meet. In the event I am unable to attend a scheduled practice or meet, I will notify my coach AND respond to each event on SwimTopia at least two days in advance.
3. I will listen to my coaches and captains and make every effort to follow their instructions so I can improve my skills and learn my sport while observing all safety precautions. If I need to discuss a concern with my coaches, I will do so when they are not leading a practice or event to avoid putting others at risk.
4. I will uphold an environment free of illegal drugs, tobacco, alcohol, weapons and aggressive behavior by not engaging in or supporting their use throughout the season.
5. I will not engage in any behavior that would endanger my health, safety, physical and/or emotional well-being or that of my coaches, teammates, volunteers, league officials or attendees of any team activity.
6. I will not engage in disparaging behavior such as gossip, profanity, verbal abuse, intimidation, physical abuse or hazing on social media or in-person toward any person or entity affiliated with the swim league before, during or after the swim season, nor will I engage in destruction or vandalism of property.
7. I will notify an authoritative figure such as the head coach or the board of directors if I know of anyone participating or planning to participate in such behaviors toward any person or group affiliated with the team.
8. I am aware that if I have a problem with someone or something, I may discuss it with the board of directors and/or my coaches when they are not conducting practices or swim meets. I understand I am not to conspire against volunteers, employees or participants of the team, nor may I use the email addresses of the team families or social media to rally personal interests or opinions concerning the Martinsburg Marlins that are inconsistent with the efforts of the staff, the board of directors and/or parent volunteers.
9. I agree that if I fail to abide by the above code of conduct, I will be subject to disciplinary action that may include, but is not limited to one or all of the following reprimands in the order decided by the Board of Directors. Absolutely no refund will be given for any registration fees or other monies paid if I am subject to any form of disciplinary action by an Official, Head Coach, Member of the Board of Directors or MBCPR authority. Possible disciplinary actions: a. Verbal Warning b. Written Warning c. Meet Suspension/Season Suspension.