

Cymdeithas Achub Bywyd o'r Môr Cymru

Surf Life Saving Association of Wales

Surf Life Saving Association of Wales – Appendix 2 Code of Conduct for Parents

Parents are expected to:

1. Complete and return the Health and Consent form as requested by the club and detail any health concerns relevant to your child on the consent form. Any changes in the state of the child's health should be reported to the lead coach prior to coaching sessions. Ensure the club has up to date contact details for you and any alternative person.
2. Deliver and collect your child punctually to and from coaching sessions/swim meets. Please inform a member of the coaching staff if there is an unavoidable problem.
3. If the club changes your child's lane and changing times please remember the change is to provide appropriate levels of training and enable your swimmer to progress and should be facilitated and encouraged at all times.
4. Ensure your child is properly and adequately attired for the training session/events including all required equipment i.e. hats, goggles, wetsuits, warm clothing in cold conditions, water bottle for keeping hydrated, suntan lotion etc. in hot conditions
5. Inform the coach before a session if your child is to be collected early from a coaching session and if so by whom.
6. Remind them to sign out via register if club has designated a register person for that session.
7. Encourage your child to obey rules and teach them that they can only do their best.
8. Enforce positive behaviours such as good sportsmanship, respect and that it's ok to lose sometimes and be gracious in defeat.
9. Do not negatively compare your child's achievements against those of other youth / nipper members.
10. Do not force your child to compete. There should be no crying at the start line and your child may be withdrawn from the race / event if seen to be in distress.
11. Behave responsibly as a spectator at training/ competitions and events and treat children, coaches, members and volunteers and parents of your and other clubs with due respect meeting the SLSA Wales commitment to equality, diversity and inclusion and conduct.
12. Remember you represent your child, your club and Surf Life Saving Association of Wales
13. Ensure you do not use inappropriate language or behaviour within the club environment / training area / competition area.
14. Show appreciation and support your child and all the team members displaying inclusive and supportive behaviours.
15. Ensure your child's needs are met in terms of nutritional needs and listen to advice given from the club coach.
16. Support the club coach and committee appropriately and raise any concerns you have in the correct manner according to the policies of the SLSA Wales Child Protection Policy.
17. Do not enter training/competition areas unless requested to do so or in an emergency. If you wish to have a discussion with the coach, please indicate this and then wait for an appropriate time if there is a session / race / event / competition being held.
18. Most of all help your child to enjoy the sport and achieve to the best of their ability.



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The club will undertake to:

- Inform you at once if your child is ill and ensure their wellbeing until you are able to collect him/her.
- Ensure good child protection guidelines are followed at all times to keep your child safe.
- Ensure all activities are properly supervised/taught/ coached and consent is obtained for any activity outside of that previously agreed.

The parent has a right to:

- Make a complaint to the club if they feel the club or a member of the club is not acting appropriate to SLSA Wales Child Protection Policy/club laws and rules. Details of how to do this can be obtained from the club Safeguarding Officer, SLSA Wales Lead Safeguarding Officer and SLSA Wales Child Protection Policy 2016

I have read and understood this document and agree to abide by all of its principles

Signature	Date:
Name (Please print):	I am a member of: (Insert your club name)

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