



## TRAVEL TRIP CODE OF CONDUCT

THIS CODE OF CONDUCT CONTRACT FOR SURGE AQUATICS SWIMMERS GOVERNS ELIGIBILITY FOR PARTICIPATION IN TEAM SPONSORED TRAVEL TRIPS

The purpose of this code of conduct is to be consistent with the Surge Aquatics and USA Swimming mission, and will act to promote the values of Speed, Unity, Relentlessness, Growth, and Encouragement within the sport of swimming.

### SWIMMER PROMISE

I, \_\_\_\_\_, as a member of Surge Aquatics, understand that I am a part of an organization that believes in teamwork, integrity, respect, and good sportsmanship. I promise to show respect, demonstrate common courtesy, and exemplify good sportsmanship to team members, coaches, fellow competitors, officials, bus drivers, chaperones, and hotel and restaurant staff while on team travel trips. I promise to follow the directions of the coaching staff and trip chaperones. In addition, I understand that any standards set forth by USA Swimming take precedence and must be followed.

### SWIMMER RESPONSIBILITY PLEDGE

- I will attend all team functions while on travel trip unless excused by the lead coach. This includes meetings, practices, meals, meet season, etc.
- I will be on time for all designated travel trip departures, meetings, meals, and happenings.
- I will be compliant with dress codes, wearing appropriate team attire as specified. When allowed free dress in public places, I will dress sensibly and appropriately.
- I will exemplify respectable behavior when visiting public places such as restaurants, shopping malls, hotels, and meet/practice facilities.
- I will wear my seatbelt and remain seated when in vehicles.
- I will clean up after myself at competition/practice facilities, hotels, restaurants, and travel vehicles.
- I will respect the privacy of those I am traveling with.

### PART I: TRAVEL TRIP CODE OF CONDUCT RULES

1. I will abide by all the rules set forth in the Surge Aquatics Swimmer Code of Conduct.
2. Under no circumstances may any athlete go anywhere alone. Athletes are required to stay in groups of two or more, or be escorted by a coach or chaperone.



3. I will comply with the established curfew and the designated lights out, phones off, electronics off time.
4. I will not leave my room after curfew. I will remain in my room until designated morning team meeting time.
5. I will stay in the room which I am assigned. Unauthorized room changes are prohibited.
6. Visitors of the opposite sex are prohibited in hotel rooms at any time.
7. Quiet hours will be enforced for prelim/final competition travel trips. Loud, disruptive, unruly behavior will not be tolerated.
8. I will not incur room charges such as room service, pay per view movie rental, or long distance phone calls.
9. Surge Aquatics assumes no liability for lost or stolen items.
10. If an athlete requires medical attention or help of any kind, he/she will contact a coach or chaperone immediately, or dial 911 in the event of an emergency.

**PART II: VIOLATION OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT RULES**

Failure to comply with the Code of Conduct set forth in this document may result in disciplinary action. Such actions may include but are not limited to the following:

1. Swimmer may be sent home immediately from meet, practice, or team function at the expense of his/her family.
2. Swimmer may have phone or electronics taken away during the travel trip.
3. Swimmer may be suspended from the team until the swimmer and his/her parents have had a conference with the Head Coach and disciplinary actions have been implemented.
4. Swimmer may be suspended from future travel trips.
5. Swimmer's family will be responsible for all fines, fees, or damage assessment charges associated with actions.

Upon notification of any violation of the Code of Conduct, a review committee comprised of Surge Aquatics Head Coach, senior coaching staff and/or Team Owners, shall promptly investigate the circumstance of the violation and request a conduct review conference with the swimmer and his/her parents. The review committee will determine what disciplinary action, if any, shall be taken. The Head Coach may terminate any Surge Aquatics member in the interest of Surge Aquatics mission and objectives. By signing below, I am stating that I have read and understand the Surge Aquatics Travel Trip Code of Conduct. I understand that if I violate any of the rules, I risk suspension and expulsion from the team.

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Swimmer Signature

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Parent Signature

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Date

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Date