

Stingrays Swim Club, Bi-laws Policies and Procedures

- A. Technical Rules*
- B. Administrative Regulations of Competitions*
- C. Rights, Privileges, and Code of Conduct*
- D. Hearings and Appeals*
- E. By laws of Stingrays Swim Team*
 - i. The Stingrays Swim Club is governed by a board of directors elected by executive director.
 - ii. Stingrays is a swim club group that is non for profit that does accept donations only for the benefit of the team members that participate on the stingray swim team.
- F. Open Water Swimming*
 - i. Swimmers, coaches, clubs, and local public entities should address safety considerations where events and practices are held.
 - ii. Conduct and Officiating of the Competition
 - i. Time submitted from a 25 meter course shall be converted and integrated with yard times.
 - ii. Summer fun league AAU runs from June – End of July
 - iii. The team is a member of the AAU Swimming, the national governing body of the sport in the United States. AAU is govern at the regional level by local Swimming Committees(LCS).
 - iii. Events
 - i. Age groups1
 - 1. 8 and under
 - 2. 9-14
 - 3. 15-18
 - iv. Awards
 - i. Age group
 - ii. Team and clubs
 - v. Rules
 - i. Starts
 - ii. Finishes
 - iii. Time limits
 - iv. Markings
 - v. Swim wear
 - vi. Disqualifications
 - vii. Disqualification procedures
 - viii. Meet Director – determines course
 - ix. Officials
 - 1. Referee
 - 2. Safety Officer
 - 3. Finish judge
 - 4. Timer
- G. Description of Organization
- H. The Stingrays Swim Club Team is a swim team designed for athletes ages 4-18. Stingrays are a non for profit swim team. This organization is a part of the AAU, Southeast Missouri Swim Conference. AAU is a recreational swimming organization competition that takes places every

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summer in our corner of the state. The summer league is a great starting point for anyone who wants to get involved in the sport of swimming and have a chance to learn and improve all the benefits of swimming and having fun. The swim meets begin June and end at the end of July. The SMSC Championship meet is held at Cape Central and the Junior Olympic is held in August, held in different states each year. Practice schedules; Mondays 3:30-5:00pm., Wednesday 3:30-5:00pm. And 6:00-7:30pm. And Saturday 10:00-12:00am.

- i. All meetings of Stingray Swim Team shall be open to all Swim Team Parents. Closed meetings are relating to personal issues and legal issues. Meetings will be in a public place unless relating to serious violations of Policies and Procedures and Bi-Laws.
- I. Eligibility
 - i. Equal opportunity to eligible athletes, coaches, trainers, and officials. No athlete can be denied basis of race, religion, age appropriate, gender, disability, or national origin.
 - ii. If a swimmer is suspended in USA, LSC, or AAU is not eligible to compete in events.
 - iii. Cannot be in 2 leagues unless permission is granted by both coaches.
 - iv. Cannot be in 2 summer leagues
- J. Code of Conduct
 - i. Follow "protecting athletes" *

Swimmers and Parents Rules and Code of Conduct

Sportsman and conduct are qualities that will be expected of all team members and parents in and out of pull.

Discourteous behavior, foul language, making fun of a swimmer, disrespect to coach or officials, use of drugs are alcohol and tobacco products, destruction of property, any other conduct, which could be interpreted as injurious to the group or individual, will not be tolerated. Violations ts may result in suspension from team. No one is to question officials and if you need to talk with coach not at meets, priority is swimmers. If anyone needs to talk with coach contact on Monday..

1. All swimmers are to be ready to warm-up when warm-ups begin.

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2. The coaching staff will make all final decisions as to entries and scratches.
3. All swimmers are encouraged to sit together as a team*Swimmers should see their coach immediately before and after each event they swim.
4. Swim team suits are to be worn at all meets.
5. Swim Team t-shirts encouraged for purpose of team spirit and togetherness.
6. Remember to stay hydrated all day.
7. Sunscreens at all meets even inside pools possibility go outside for fun in between events.
8. Calmness and Relaxation make the fastest swimmers.

K. Board of Directors

- i. The elected officers shall hold office for 2 years and their successors are elected. The term of office shall end at the close of the 2 years. Officers are eligible for election to different office only for 2 consecutive years. No person can be elected for same office until the lapse of 2 years following the terms of office. (Portions of those terms served to fill vacancy in the office shall not be considered in the computation of time for this purpose.)
 - i. President – governs over all board members and committee members
 - ii. Vice President – resumes responsibility when president is unavailable and overlooks all committees with president
 - iii. Secretary – appointed by the President and VP, updating all material with bi-laws and policies and procedures, taking minutes or gets responsible parent to follow up with. 1-year term and all minutes need to be recorded and placed on a flash drive to pass on to next appointed secretary.
 - iv. Treasurer – responsibility of the budget pays all fees for the team always reviewing and letting the president of all budgets, keeps all receipts and must record all interactions. All donations and fundraisers recorded
 - v. Meet Director – records all seed times and will train. co-meet director

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 - ii. All athletes are required to have an AAU membership to attend practice and meets.
 - iii. All Swim Clubs are required to have an AAU club membership
 - iv. All board, committees, and parents on deck are required to have a non athlete AAU membership.
- L. Fees – due by 15th of month
 - i. 1 kid - \$35/month
 - ii. 2 kids - \$25/month
 - iii. 3 kids - \$15/month
 - iv. 4 &up - \$5/ month
- M. Delinquent fees
 - i. If not paid by the end of the month they cannot practice with the team.
- N. Termination of Membership
 - i. Violation of any rules or guidelines from swim team or USA rule book.

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