



ISCA MEMBER-COACH CODE OF PRACTICE

We, the members of the International Swim Coaches Association (ISCA), accept as our ethical and professional duty:

1. To ensure the well-being of athletes in our care, making decisions in the best interest of the athlete, and respecting appropriate boundaries (physical, emotional, and situational) between athlete and coach¹.
2. To represent our qualifications, capabilities, and responsibilities accurately to all parties, including athletes, parents, institutions, and all other sport stakeholders.
3. To commit to coaching improvement through continuous education and learning.
4. To communicate professionally in an honest, open, and respectful manner to all parties. We also will endeavor, in good faith, to resolve among ourselves any dispute that arises from our professional interactions.
5. To act colloquially amongst each other, sharing knowledge and experience within our profession and working together to advance the sport of swimming.
6. To convey respect and appreciation between coaches and athletes of diverse cultures and backgrounds.

The practices listed here are not exhaustive of the ethical principles that should inform and dictate the actions of professional swim coaches. We do, however, remain mindful that failure to abide by these principles may harm ourselves, our fellow members, the Association, or those we serve.

I _____ (*Print Name of Coach*) **therefore agree to abide by this Code of Practice, and understand that violations of this Code may be subject to member suspension and expulsion.**

²Signature of Member Coach _____ Date _____

Approved by the ISCA Executive Board, 2019

¹ Further guidance as set forth by the [USA Swimming Code of Conduct](#).

² Members registering online must agree to the ISCA Code of Practice during e-registration and check-out.