

Parent / Spectator Behaviour Guidelines

The Swimming NSW Guidelines will apply to all club practice and are as follows:

Our sport is committed to providing a safe environment for participation. Aggressive, threatening or other inappropriate behaviour by members, their families, their friends, and other sporting personnel will not be tolerated.

Inappropriate behaviours are outlined in [Swimming Australia's Safe Sport Framework](#) and can include:

- using bad language
- harassing or ridiculing swimmers, coaches, officials or other spectators
- making racist, religious, sexist or other inappropriate comments to swimmers, coaches, officials or other spectators
- any threatening behaviour or physical altercation between spectators and swimmers, coaches, officials or other spectators.
- putting undue pressure on children, berating them or putting down their performance

What we ask you to do

- Help create a positive atmosphere for swimmers, officials and other spectators by showing respect for swimmers, officials and other spectators.
- Abide by Swimming Australia's Code of Conduct and refrain from using bad language, harassing or ridiculing others or behaving in a threatening or violent manner.
- If you are aware of inappropriate spectator behaviour and you feel confident to do so, speak with the person and ask them to stop. If there is a technical official or committee member present, ask for their assistance.
- Report any inappropriate spectator behaviour to a club committee member or someone in a position of authority.
- Call the police or a club committee member if you are concerned for your safety or the safety of others.

