

The Dalles Swim Team 2010 Parental Code of Conduct

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The purpose of The Dalles Swim Team is to provide a positive swimming experience for all swimmers, and families. Our coaches are paid, but everything else is done by volunteers, who have other commitments and jobs.

Volunteering

The TDST Board is requiring each family to volunteer at least **12 hours** in 2010. Without all of you, our fundraisers, meets and other opportunities will not happen. If you sign up for a volunteer commitment, and cannot make it, it is your responsibility to find a replacement, NOT call a Board member and tell them you won't be coming.

There are volunteer needs during the summer, and also during the spring and fall.

If you do not put in your volunteer hours, there will be a fine assessed prior to your swimmer signing up to swim with TDST again.

Meet registration

For your child to compete at a swim meet, you need to pay a registration fee (for each meet) and tell the on-deck Board member which days you will be swimming. If your swimmer wants to select their events, they can do so at that time, but need to be aware that the coaches may add to or change those events.

At registration, you will be given a list of dates of swim meets, and the registration deadlines for each of those meets. You will be given both a list, and a calendar showing the dates.

If you miss one of those dates, and still want to compete at that swim meet, you will be charged a \$50 late fee per swimmer. If you are too far past the registration date, it may not be possible to get your swimmer into the meet anyway.

Timing

Parents need to time at each meet their child attends. You will receive a call asking you to select the time that works best for you. All timing is volunteer, and meets cannot run without those timers.

If you do not know how to time, someone will show you. Older siblings, grandparents and other family members can also time in place of a parent.

Many families only have one parent at a swim meet. That's why there is a bullpen for 8 & Under swimmers, and older swimmers may need to sit with friends whose parents can make sure they head to their events in a timely manner. Please make these arrangements yourself, rather than expecting a Board member to do it for you.

If all of our parents time, it will shorten the amount of time each parent needs to spend timing.

Parent/Guardian signature _____ Date _____

Swimmer name(s) _____