



## Foothill Club Water Polo Code of Conduct

In order for our club to be competitive at the highest level it is essential to recognize that participation in the Foothill Club Water Polo is a commitment made by both players and parents. Players and parents are expected to be familiar with this Code and follow it at all time.

By enrolling your son and/or daughter into Foothill Club Water Polo you agree to follow the code of conduct.

### **Player Attitude and Behavior**

- FCWP expects its players to be positive and responsible representatives of FCWP at all time
- Good sportsmanship will be shown at all times
- Players must be respectful of each other, coaches, referees, other officials and spectators and must respect the property of others
- Repeated brutality fouls will not be tolerated and will be grounds for suspension or expulsion from the club
- Players will not make any derogatory remarks about FCWP, other players or coaches
- Hateful or discriminatory remarks will not be tolerated

### **Player Expectation**

- For success, players must place a priority on active and committed participation in FCWP
- FCWP is a competitive program, so selections to rosters are earned.
- Coaches will decide rosters, travel teams and playing time and coaching attention based on a player's skill and ability. This includes practice attendance, work ethics and willingness to play on rosters as requested by the Coach. Players may be eligible to play on different rosters/age groups, regardless of age.

- Being selected to a roster is a privilege so players should make every effort to attend tournaments and practices. Please contact your Coach immediately if you cannot attend for some reason.

### **Tournament Expectations**

- Players are expected to be on deck one hour prior to game time unless otherwise notified by the Coach
- Players are expected to attend games/events if they have agreed to do so. Unexcused absences may impact a player being rostered in the future
- Notify the coach via text or cell phone if a rostered player is going to be late or absent from a game. The player must ensure the Coach receives his/her message.

### **Communication with Coaches**

- Players must communicate directly with their Coach regarding any issue or concern that may arise surrounding FCWP
- Players that have concerns about playing time, roster placement or role on the team should contact their coach and set up an appropriate time to discuss
- No player or parent should approach a Coach prior to, during or immediately following a game to discuss a problem. FCWP asks that a player and/or parent wait 24 hours prior to contacting the Coach. FCWP also asks that email be used as the initial form of communication to discuss a problem.
- Unresolved problems should be brought to the attention of the Head Coach or Club Director

### **Parent Expectations**

- FCWP expects parents to be responsible role models and a positive reflection of the Club at all times
- Parents must show good sportsmanship and treat all players, parents, coaches of FCWP and opposing teams and referees with with respect at all times
- Parents are not to communicate with players during a game or during training. Only positive, supportive and encouraging comments are acceptable

- Parents are not to approach the Coach on deck with the players during training or games
- Placement on rosters and playing time is the sole discretion of the coach and is not open for discussion with parents
- Timely registration and payment of fees as outlined in the Parent Handbook is required. Failure to do so will result in a player being benched at practice and removed from rosters
- Parent conduct in violation of this Code of Conduct may result in removal from a game and may prohibit a parent attending games

Any Conduct in violation of this Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action as determined by the Coaches. This includes but is not limited to benching players, removing players from rosters, suspension or removal from the club in accordance with the rules that are in place at that time.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Athlete Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_