

Carson Tigersharks Membership Agreement

Swimmer's Name _____

- Monthly fees are payable by the 10th of the month and are considered delinquent after that date. Families who are 2 months past due will not be allowed to swim until meeting with the team treasurer. Checks should be written to the Carson Tigersharks and may be mailed to: PO Box 1876, Carson City, NV 89702 or deposited in the team mail box in the front of the pool. _____
- Monthly dues provide only part of the teams' operating funds. Fundraisers and swim meets are essential to the success of the Tigersharks swim team. There will be 2 fundraising events throughout the year that each family is required to participate in. In addition to these fundraising events, volunteering at the hosted swim meets is mandatory for each family (2-3 per year)._____ A minimal hospitality fee will be charged for each meet _____
- I have read and understand the mandatory participation in the Nevada State Swim Meet requirements (attached)._____
- Registration with USA swimming (USA-S) is required as part of membership with the Carson Tigersharks and is a separate cost of \$60.00. This registration provides the card holder with accident insurance for all properly sanctioned events and supervised practices of member clubs. Registration must be renewed annually._____
- A swimmer update form is required to be completed **FIVE (5)** days prior to the month of **change of status**. These forms are located on the bulletin board or can be downloaded off the web page www.tigersharks.org I understand that prior to my swimmer changing groups I will be notified by the coaches involved and sign a swimmer update form. _____
- Email is the official means of communication for team administration to members. Communication is available through the team newsletter, the website (www.tigersharks.org), the team bulletin board, and the swimmers' folders. It is the responsibility of the family to utilize these resources. **PLEASE NOTIFY YOUR COACH IF YOU DO NOT HAVE AN EMAIL ADDRESS.** _____
- My child _____ will be in the _____ group and I will pay the dues for that group. _____

Parent/Guardian: As a parent/guardian, I represent that the information given here is correct and that my child has my full consent to participate in the events sponsored by the Carson Tigersharks. In the event that my child becomes ill or injured and I cannot be reached, I hereby consent to any emergency treatment that may be deemed necessary by a physician.

PRINTED NAME _____ SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

Responsibility Party/Parent/Guardian: I do hereby agree to comply with the requirements, policies, and regulations which have been established by the United States Swimming (USA-S), Pacific Swimming (PC), and the Carson Tigersharks. While benefits derived from swimming participation are great, there are also calculated risks in such participation. Both participants and parents/guardians are hereby advised that an element of risk is present in all such participation. I assume all risks and hazards incidental to swimming activities, I do further release, indemnify and hold harmless USA Swimming, Pacific Swimming, the Carson Tigersharks, the City of Carson, the Carson City Recreation Department, the Carson Aquatic Facility, and their Officers and/or Directors. The Carson Tigersharks reserve the right to ask for physician approval as indicated. I hereby certify that I have read the foregoing and any attached material, understand it and sign this document voluntarily.

PRINTED NAME _____ SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

Carson Tigersharks Code of Conduct

The Carson Tigersharks Swim Team is committed to providing an enjoyable and complete swimming experience for swimmers of all age and abilities. It is the tradition of the team to provide a challenging and positive teaching and training environment in which swimmers can develop a sense of self-esteem and pride through individual and team achievement. In accordance with the objectives of USA swimming the Carson Tigersharks will practice the ideals of integrity and fairness; provide a positive environment; and strive for excellence in leadership, innovation and creativity. Swimmers are given opportunities to learn personal responsibility, accountability, sportsmanship and citizenship. The coaches and club administrators expect all to adhere to these principles.

Expected Behaviors

1. Practice sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy and demonstrating positive support for all (swimmers, coaches, parents, officials, guests) at all times.
2. Practice teamwork with all parents, swimmers and coaches by supporting the values of discipline, loyalty, commitment and hard work.
3. Adhere to all Rules and Procedures provided to swimmers and parents by the Tigersharks Coaching Staff.
4. Maintain self control at all times.
5. Civil language is used at all times.
6. Swimmers are to maintain a lifestyle that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol.

The Code of Conduct serves as a standard to emphasize the Carson Tigersharks commitment to providing for all a positive experience. Any perceived violation of the Code of Conduct by a coach, swimmer or parent will be addressed and handled in an individual manner by the coach or parent, by the Board and the Head Coach.

By signing the Code of Conduct, each family is acknowledging the existence of the expected behaviors and their intent to abide by these expected behaviors.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Swimmers Signature _____ Date _____

Carson Tigersharks State Swim Meet Volunteer Policy

The Carson Tigershark Swim Team will host the Nevada State Swimming Championship on February 18-21, 2011. These meets are held in Northern Nevada for 2 consecutive years and in Southern Nevada for 2 consecutive years. Since the Carson Aquatic Facility is the most state-of-the-art swim center, we are extremely fortunate to be the host of this meet for the North. This is the biggest fundraiser the team will have and we need all parents to volunteer in making it a success.

Parent support and involvement is vital to the success of our team in every level of swimming. The minimum volunteer obligations for Tigershark parents for the Nevada State Swimming Championship is the equivalent of 4 sessions. Each session is approximate 4 hours in length._____

Plan to volunteer even if your swimmer has not qualified for the meet. If a family chooses not to volunteer, a fee will be imposed in place of those hours required. **The fee for the 2011 state meet is \$35 per session** (total \$140 if no volunteering is performed). That fee will have to be paid before your child can continue to swim on the team.

The intent of this policy is **NOT** to raise money, but to emphasize how very important it is that we all work together to maintain the high standards that the Carson Tigersharks exemplifies. It is also to help more evenly share the volunteer effort required to provide well run meets and activities for our children. The Tigersharks **CANNOT** run a meet without adequate parent support. Those families not doing their fair share during such events critically jeopardize the smooth management and operation of the Tigersharks, and potentially subject the club to increased membership fees.

Please do your share...it is easy to volunteer and rewarding! The State Meet is an exciting event with up to 600 swimmers coming to Carson City. You may go to the Tigershark Website to see the available jobs (www.tigersharks.org). You may talk to the Meet Director and/or the volunteer coordinator to find the right fit for you and your family.

Signed _____ Date _____

HELP WANTED

When we host a swim meet at our swim center, they are much more enjoyable for everyone if we have enough parent volunteers to share the load! As there are many new parents on the team, we thought we would give you a brief description of the jobs that make a swim meet go smoothly.

Most of these jobs take no training, however, those that do, we will train you! Please contact me or any Board Member to pick your position (reginaford@rocketmail.com)! There will also a **sign up Board outside the Office prior to each swim meet**. We have many experienced parents who would love to train parents of our new swimmers.

1. **Meet Director:** Ideal for someone who is well organized and has a desire to dedicate some time to the team. Puts together and oversees the entire meet. Needs to have some knowledge of the swimming organization.
2. **Meet Marshall:** On deck during warm-ups, oversees warm-up and cool down lanes and other areas during the meet. These people get to wear cool orange vests and help enforce safety rules during the meet. (4-5 people per session).
3. **Computer:** Runs all the behind-the-scenes working of the meet. Sets up the meet in Meet Manager, manages entries, prints heat sheets and results. Computer Literacy is a must for this job and we desire someone who will be with the team for a while. Training is available at the upcoming meet. (2 people per session)
4. **Computer Assistant:** Organizes the paper work as it comes off the printer and gives to the runners.
5. **Runner:** Distributes heat and lane postings from the computer to the designated areas. Posts results, as they are available. Distributes and collects timers sheets. These people are on the move and need to wear comfortable shoes. (3 people per session)
6. **Colorado Timing:** Runs the timing system by the pool with the officials. This position requires training and we desire someone that will be with the team for a while. (1 person per session)
7. **Colorado Assistant:** Works with the head Colorado person and receives training on the timing system (1-2 people per session)
8. **Head Timer:** Distributes watches, clipboards, etc after warm-ups. Stands by the officials table and starts two stopwatches for each race. They assist timers who did not get a good start on their watch. (1 people per session)
9. **Clerk of the Course:** Checks in all swimmers for the meet. Also keeps track of when each event is scheduled to close. On the Job training provided. (2-3 people per session)
10. **Snack Bar Coordinator:** Gathers all items for the snack bar. Sets up and oversees the running of the snack bar. (1-2 people per session).
11. **Snack Bar Helper** - Assists at the Snack Bar selling food and collecting money. (2-3 people per session)
12. **Hospitality Coordinator:** Plans and prepares the meals and snacks that our served to our visiting officials, coaches, timers, and working parents. (1-2 people per meet)
13. **Hospitality Helper:** Assists Hospitality Coordinator. Prepares and serves meals and snacks. (2-3 people per session)
14. **Awards:** Labels the awards and separates them by team for distribution. (2-3 people per session)
15. **Announcer:** Announces the events and the swimmers in each heat. Training and a front row seat provided! (1 person per session)
16. **Set Up and Break Down:** Many people needed to set up timing system, pads, cords, computers, signs around the pool, tables, snack bar and hospitality.
17. **Meet Officials:** The officials you see on deck are parents just like us! They are volunteers that have received training in stroke technique and USA swimming rules. Training classes are available for those who want to learn more about our sport.