

APPENDIX XVIII
FAIRFIELD COUNTY SWIMMING LEAGUE
FCSL CODE OF CONDUCT

**THE FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENT IS TO BE MADE
PRIOR TO THE START OF EVERY FCSL-SANCTIONED EVENT:**

Good Morning (*Afternoon/ Evening*) Ladies, Gentlemen, and Athletes!
Welcome to (*name of facility*)_____ for the diving (*swimming/water polo*) competition
between (*home club*) _____ and (*visiting club*) _____

The Referee for today's swimming (*diving/water polo*) competition is _____.

This athletic event is scheduled for the benefit of the members and athletes of these two clubs.
The final jurisdiction of this competition rests with the referee.

This is an FCSL sponsored contest. Our athletes are expected to accept the responsibility and
privilege of representing their club. Officials & coaches will promote positive and respectful
behavior at all times, without displaying any negative behavior in this venue or meet (*games*).

Everyone in attendance is expected to respect the judgment of the assigned officials, abide by
the FCSL rules of conduct, and not display negative behavior towards your opponent or anyone
else.

One of the most important goals of this league is to promote sportsmanship, respect and courtesy
of all of the athletes & coaches participating in this event as well as the spectators watching.

Any violation of this "Code of Conduct" may result in disciplinary action by the presiding
officials and the League.

We look forward to a competition that embodies good sportsmanship and fun!

**** FCSL Policy Clarification ** (NOT read aloud at venues)**

UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT

- A. This includes any act the referee deems unsportsmanlike including, but not limited to, the following:
- a) making insulting or derogatory remarks or gestures, or acts such as taunting or language or actions that are unsuitable to friendly competition involving young children;
 - b) trying to influence officials' decisions or flagrant and hostile exhibition of disgust with officials' decisions
 - c) interfering with contestants or meet officials.
- B. Competitors cited for unsportsmanlike conduct will be eliminated from further participation.
If a contestant who causes such an incident has completed any of his or her scheduled diving or swimming events, he or she shall be disqualified from all of his or her previous events with points deducted from the team score, with no additional re-scoring.

Parents, other adults, or team representatives who are cited for unsportsmanlike conduct will be asked to leave the competition area. This penalty will be imposed at the discretion of the referee, but may be requested by either Swim Chair.