



Suffolk Coastal Torpedoes

Water Polo Club



Affiliated to Swim England

Website - <http://www.sc-torpedoes.co.uk/>

Dear Water Polo player,

Welcome to the Suffolk Coastal Torpedoes (SCT) Water Polo Club.

We hope you will have an enjoyable and happy time as a member at our club and that you enjoy training and playing with us. This letter is to give you some information.

As a member of our club, you will also become a member of Swim England. Swim England is the national governing body for all aquatic sport in England.

Coaching

SCT are committed to help you enjoy your training; learn to train hard and to achieve your potential. The coaches and teachers are here to help you do that and have been trained to do so in a safe and proper manner. If you have any concerns about training do talk this over with your coach and your parents.

Safeguarding

You may wonder what we mean by Safeguarding. Basically, alongside our wish for you to enjoy and succeed at your water polo we want to ensure you are safe and happy in the club and that we act upon anything that prevents that. That is what we call safeguarding our members.

As a club we follow the Swim England safeguarding policy called Wavepower.

This is a set of principles and rules that guide us as club how we can support and protect you. If you want to have a look at Wavepower, it can be viewed and downloaded from the Swim England website.

You may ask what I am being safeguarded from, by way of an example, we want to make sure you are not being:

- bullied
- treated differently to others
- hurt by another person on purpose
- ignored
- made to do something that makes you feel uncomfortable

Whilst we will do all we can prevent anything happening **it is important if something or someone causes you to be unhappy that you tell someone**, tell your parent, your coach, the Club Welfare Officer, or any other adult you feel happy to speak to.

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To assist you here are some helpful details of how you can raise concerns:

SC Torpedoes Welfare Officers

Bryan Johnson	Email: welfare@sc-torpedoes.co.uk	mobile 07814430338
Clare Larder		

Swimline - a helpline provided by Swim England/NSPCC Child Protection

Swim England have a helpline called Swimline if you want to tell someone but not anyone in the club.

The number is 0808 100 4001.

You can choose to leave a message – leave a contact number at which you can be contacted. If urgent and you feel you cannot wait that long for someone to talk to you can choose to be put through to the NSPCC / Child Line helpline number who will answer your call immediately.

Suffolk Coastal Torpedoes Water Polo Club Codes of Conduct

Just as we expect others to behave properly towards you, we expect you to behave in an appropriate manner to our coaches, all club helpers, fellow players to behave in an appropriate manner to our coaches, club helpers and club members, as well as people from other clubs and the people who work at the pools where we train/play matches.

We have a code of conduct that you and your parents accept when you complete your SC Torpedoes Membership Form.

If you are unsure about any aspect of the code of conduct, please feel free to ask.

We hope you will have an incredibly happy and successful time while a member of the SC Torpedoes water polo club.

Players' Committee Representative(s)

We have players representatives that sit in our committee meetings that represent the players views. Details of who they are can be found on our website. If you have an idea, a suggestion about how we do things at Suffolk Coastal Torpedoes Water Polo club they would be pleased to listen to you.

From

Bryan Johnson and Clare Larder (Club Welfare Officers)