

Star Skills Swimming

Code of Practice

For AUSTSWIM Registered Swim Schools



Objective of this code:

To promote the values of AUSTSWIM by:

- Encouraging public confidence in aquatic education.
- Publicising AUSTSWIM's expectations of its teachers.
- Showing that AUSTSWIM teachers accept a standard of practice.
- Providing a benchmark for appropriate behaviour.
- Promoting the participation of all Australians in safe and enjoyable swimming and water safety programs conducted by qualified personnel.

Star Skills Swimming has agreed to:

- Employ only AUSTSWIM qualified teachers who hold the appropriate AUSTSWIM Certificate to instruct swimming and water safety programs. Please note: AUSTSWIM may conduct random verification checks.

Star Skills Swimming has further agreed to:

- Follow AUSTSWIM guidelines relating to safety, class ratios, emergency procedures and duty of care. Refer to the AUSTSWIM web site for a copy of relevant guidelines.
- Abide by established standards for aquatic facility safety.
- Display the AUSTSWIM logo and other promotional material provided by AUSTSWIM as part of this Swim School Recognition Scheme – ideally visible in the entry/foyer of the facility.
- Promote and deliver only safe and enjoyable aquatic activities.
- Show concern for the health, safety and welfare of participants and colleagues.
- Enhance water safety knowledge while developing swimming, water safety and survival skills.
- Provide a planned and sequential program of aquatic skill development based on individual participant needs.

Star Skills Swimming will not engage in any conduct which is:

- Contrary to the provisions of the AUSTSWIM Constitution, by-Laws or any resolution or determination of AUSTSWIM;
- Unbecoming of a registered AUSTSWIM swim school or prejudicial to the objects and interests of AUSTSWIM or swimming instruction generally; or
- Likely to, or has brought, AUSTSWIM or swimming instruction into disrepute.
- Provide equal opportunity for all to learn swimming, water safety and survival skills by:
- Modifying the program to cater for those with disabilities, adult learners and those with injuries.
- Ensuring that all persons under tuition are treated with courtesy and respect deserving of all people, irrespective of individual differences and needs.
- Refrain from any discriminatory practices by treating everyone equally.

- Represent AUSTSWIM and the swimming and water safety teaching industry in a professional manner.
- Extend professional courtesy to staff, industry colleagues, participants and parents.