

DONNER SWIM CLUB

FACILITY ACCESS & ATHLETE PRIVACY POLICY

2026–2027 Membership Year

Donner Swim Club is committed to maintaining safe, appropriate, and respectful environments for athletes at practices, competitions, and other Club activities.

This policy supplements applicable USA Swimming Safe Sport requirements, the current Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy (MAAPP), meet procedures, and facility rules. Donner Swim Club implements the current MAAPP in full. If this policy differs from or is less restrictive than an applicable MAAPP requirement, the current MAAPP controls.

1. Locker Rooms & Changing Areas

Athletes are expected to respect the privacy, personal space, and property of others while using locker rooms, restrooms, and changing areas.

Athletes should:

- use these spaces appropriately and only as long as reasonably necessary;
- avoid bullying, harassment, hazing, intimidation, horseplay, or other inappropriate conduct;
- respect facility rules and the privacy of other athletes; and
- promptly report conduct that makes them feel unsafe or uncomfortable.

2. Photography & Recording

Photography, video recording, livestreaming, or other recording is strictly prohibited in locker rooms, changing areas, restrooms, or other locations where athletes may reasonably expect privacy.

3. Adult Access & Athlete Privacy

Adult access to athlete locker rooms and changing areas must comply with current MAAPP requirements and applicable facility rules. In-Program Contact between Adult Participants and Minor Athletes in locker rooms, changing areas, or similar spaces must remain observable and interruptible except where a specific MAAPP exception applies.

Parents, guardians, coaches, volunteers, and other adults should not routinely enter athlete locker rooms or changing areas except when reasonably necessary for:

- an emergency;
- athlete assistance or accommodation;
- facility operations; or
- another circumstance permitted under applicable requirements.

Locker rooms and changing areas should not be used for private coach-athlete meetings or other conversations that can reasonably occur in a more observable and appropriate location.

4. Pool Deck Access

Pool deck access during Donner Swim Club activities is subject to applicable **USA Swimming requirements, meet procedures, facility rules, and authorization or credentialing requirements.**

Registration with Donner Swim Club does not automatically provide parents, guardians, siblings, or spectators access to the pool deck.

Families should remain in designated spectator or observation areas unless authorized to be on deck in an approved capacity. Depending on the activity, authorized deck personnel may include:

- participating athletes;
- coaches;
- officials;
- approved volunteers;
- facility personnel; and
- other individuals authorized under the applicable meet or facility requirements.

USA Swimming's Safe Sport meet guidance specifically controls and monitors deck access as part of the competition environment.

Donner Swim Club will follow the access requirements applicable to the activity and facility being used.

5. Reporting Concerns

Athletes and families should promptly report concerns involving:

- inappropriate locker-room or changing-area conduct;
- unauthorized photography or recording;
- inappropriate adult access;
- athlete privacy;
- unauthorized pool-deck access; or
- suspected Safe Sport or MAAPP violations.

Concerns may be reported to the Head Coach, Donner Swim Club Safe Sport Coordinator, or another appropriate reporting resource.

Safe Sport and mandatory-reporting matters will be handled according to applicable governing requirements. USA Swimming maintains separate reporting resources for Safe Sport concerns.

Relationship to Other Club Policies

This policy supplements the:

- Donner Swim Club Membership Agreement
- Safe Sport & MAAPP requirements
- Parent & Athlete Standards
- Athlete Drop-Off & Pick-Up Policy
- Communication Policy, and applicable facility and meet rules

When USA Swimming, MAAPP, or facility requirements impose a different or more restrictive standard, the applicable governing requirement controls.