



Bank Duty Attendance and Duty of Parents on Bank Duty



Important Notice

Attendance by parents at Bank Duty

Under Swim Ireland rules it is a requirement for a parent to be present on poolside for all swimming sessions where there are swimmers under 18 in the pool. This is a very important requirement designed to protect our swimmers and coaches and needs to be strictly adhered to at all times.

Unfortunately there have been an increasing number of swimming sessions where the parent rostered on bank duty has not turned up. This is unacceptable as it places both the swimmers and coaches at risk. It also places the swim club at risk of sanctions arising from an unannounced visit by Swim Ireland officials to monitor adherence to bank duty attendance by affiliated clubs.

The Committee have discussed this important issue on a number of occasions and always consider it totally unacceptable. The Committee has decided to introduce sanctions to be applied to swimmers where their parents have not turned up for bank duty which will come into immediate effect.

The following procedures will apply from January 2011

1. The bank duty roster for January to April 2011 is now on the website and the noticeboard. It is the responsibility of all parents who have children under 18 in the club to take note of the times that they are rostered and to ensure that they attend these sessions.
2. Please review notice "Duties of Parents on Bank Duty" on website/noticeboard to familiarise yourself with what is required of a parent on bank duty.
3. If a parent cannot attend any session that they are rostered for it is their responsibility to get another parent to do their bank duty for them.
4. The coach will take the bank duty book to the poolside for each session. The book should be kept in the Club room in between swimming sessions.
5. A record will be taken of bank duty attendance for all sessions by the coach on duty noting details in the bank duty book.
6. The coach on duty for each session will inform the Group Co-ordinator if a parent misses bank duty.
7. **The Group Co-ordinator will notify the club secretary who will inform the parent that their son/daughter will not be allowed swim any sessions for one week.**
8. **If a parent misses bank duty three times then their children will be suspended from the club pending disciplinary action by the Committee.**



Duties of Parents on Bank Duty

1. Identify yourself to the Coach conducting the training session as the person who will be performing the Bank Duty.
2. Stay on the pool bank for the full duration of the session and remain until all swimmers have left the poolside.
3. The only people allowed on the bank are the coaches and person on bank duty. Please ensure that all other parents / guardians remain in the gallery area unless requested by the coach or the parent on Bank Duty to go poolside.
4. Please record details of session in the bank duty book including the name of coach, number of swimmers in the pool, details of any incidents and sign off as person on bank duty.
5. Report any incidents of concern to a committee member after the session.

Thank you for your co-operation

ALSC Committee