## TRAVEL POLICY CONNECTICUT SWIMMING, INC.

## Effective January 2011 Updated March 2018

The following Travel Policy shall apply in circumstances in which Connecticut Swimming, Inc. is the "team/camp." This Policy shall be in addition to any specific travel policy adopted for a particular meet (i.e. Zone Championships) or other event. In the event of conflict, between this Policy and any other specific travel policy adopted for a particular meet, this Policy shall control.

- 1. CSI travel policies must be signed and agreed to by all athletes, parents, coaches and other adults traveling with the team/camp.
- 2. Team/camp managers and chaperones must be members of USA Swimming and have successfully passed a USA Swimming-administered criminal background check.
- 3. Regardless of gender, a coach shall not share a hotel room or other sleeping arrangement with an athlete (unless the coach is the parent, guardian, sibling, or spouse of that particular athlete).
- 4. When only one athlete and one coach travel to a competition/camp, or travel while at a competition/camp, the athlete must have his/her parents' (or legal guardian's) written permission in advance to travel alone with the coach.
- 5. Athletes should not ride in a coach's vehicle without another adult present who is the same gender as the athlete, unless prior parental permission is obtained.
- 6. During team/camp travel, when doing room checks, attending team/camp meetings and/or other activities, two-deep leadership and open and observable environments should be maintained whenever possible.
- 7. During overnight team/camp travel, if athletes are paired with other athletes they must be of the same gender and should be a similar age range when possible. Chaperones and/or team/camp managers would ideally stay in nearby rooms.
- 8. To ensure the propriety of the athletes and to protect the staff, there will be no male athletes in female athlete's rooms and no female athletes in male athlete's rooms, unless there is a chaperone present or the other athlete is a sibling or spouse of that particular athlete. A copy of the Code of Conduct must be signed by the athlete and his/her parent or legal guardian.
- A copy of the CSI Rules of Conduct must be signed by the athlete and his/her parent or legal guardian.
- 10. A copy of USA Swimming Code of Conduct must be signed by all team members, team staff, and parents of minors.;
- 11. Team/camp or LSC officials should obtain a signed Liability Release and/or Indemnification Form for each athlete.
- 12. Team/camp or LSC officials should carry a signed Medical Consent or Authorization to Treat Form for each athlete.

- 10. Curfews shall be established by the team/camp or LSC staff each day of the trip.
- 11.Team/camp members and staff traveling with the team/camp will attend all team/camp functions including meetings, practices, meals, meet sessions, etc. unless otherwise excused or instructed by the head coach or his/her designee.
- 12. The directions & decisions of coaches/chaperones are final.
- 13. Swimmers are expected to remain with the team/camp at all times during the trip. Swimmers are not to leave the competition/camp venue, the hotel, a restaurant, or any other place at which the team/camp has gathered without the permission/knowledge of the coach or chaperone.
- 14. When visiting public places such as shopping malls, movie theatres, etc. swimmers will stay in groups of no less than three persons. 12 & Under athletes will be accompanied by a chaperone.
- 15. The Head Coach or his/her designee shall make a written report of travel policy or code of conduct violations to the CSI Administrative Chair and the parent or legal guardian of any affected minor athlete.

## I hereby agree to the policies set forth above in connection with all USA/CT Swimming Travel.

Athlete's Signature	Athlete's Name (Print)
Date:	Club:
Phone:	Email:
Parent's/Guardian's Signature	Parent's/Guardian's Name (Print)
Date:	Relationship:
Phone:	Email:
Coach's Signature	Coach's Name (Print)
Date:	Club:
Phone:	Email:

Non-Athlete Manager Signature	Non-Athlete Manager Name (Print)
Date:	Club:
Phone:	Email:
Non-Athlete Chaperone Signature	Non-Athlete Chaperone (Print)
Date:	Club:
Phone:	Email: