

Skipton Swimming Club Collection Policy

When swimmers are poolside the coaches are responsible for their safety and welfare.

Beyond poolside, responsibility for the safety and welfare of swimmers primarily lies with parents/carers, although coaches have a reasonable duty to ensure swimmers are collected safely.

Parents must be present to collect their child within 10 minutes of the end of the session as set out in the parent's code of conduct.

Parents of all children under the age of 14 must collect their child from inside the pool facility.

If a child has to leave a session early they will be asked to remain on poolside until their parent/carer arrives. If a session finishes early, coaches will supervise the children until the published session finish time.

Policy for the Late Collection of Swimmers

When a parent is unavoidably delayed and knows they will not be able to arrive on time to collect their swimmer, they should arrange for an alternative nominated responsible adult to do so or to remain with the swimmer until they can be collected.

Failing this and before the end of the session, parents should first to try contact the coach in charge of the session. If not successful they should try to contact the club Welfare Officer and, if this is not successful the reception at either Craven or Barnoldswick. Contact numbers are given at the end of the document.

If notified, the coach or other responsible officer will remain with the child until they are collected.

Where no notice has been given of late collection and the coaches are aware that a swimmer remains uncollected, they will use the emergency contact details provided (these are available only to coaches and certain members of the committee). If this fails, they will phone the police or social services.

If a coach or responsible officer is not available, the swimmer should present themselves to the pool facility's duty manager for assistance.

Swimmers under the age of 14, if not collected, should not leave the building unsupervised.

In line with Swim England guidance, persistent failure to collect a child will be referred to the Welfare Officer.

Sunday and Monday PM sessions.

After the sessions that end at 17:30 on Sunday and 21:30 on Monday, parents may find it difficult to contact the pool because the Craven reception closes at the same time as the end of these sessions. There may also be fewer staff around to assist at these times. The importance of being present within 10 minutes of the end of these sessions is emphasised and parents should consider remaining at the pool throughout these sessions.

Please discuss this policy with your child.

Please also consider putting your emergency contact details in a dry compartment of your child's swim bag, especially if they do not bring their phone to the pool.

Contact details

Ian Scriven	07790340614
Becky Lund	07734938189
Suzie Sharp	07712131980
Izzy MacDougal	07752747528
Claire Oliver (Welfare)	07941 789444
Craven Leisure Centre	01756 792805
West Craven Pool	01282 666710