

# Foxjets Safe Sport Guide for New Families

*A quick, parent-friendly overview of how we keep athletes safe*

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## Welcome

At Foxjets, your child's safety and well-being come first. We want you to feel confident that your athlete is training in a supportive, transparent, and respectful environment. This guide explains the basics — what Safe Sport is, how Foxjets puts it into practice, and what you can do as a parent.

If you ever have a question or concern, please reach out. We're here to help.

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## 1. What Is Safe Sport?

Safe Sport is USA Swimming's program to prevent misconduct, abuse, and unsafe situations in youth sports. Foxjets follows all national Safe Sport standards, including the **Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy (MAAPP)**.

Safe Sport covers:

- Athlete safety and supervision
- Locker room and changing area protocols
- Communication guidelines
- Appropriate physical contact
- Transportation and team travel
- Photography and videography
- Reporting and response procedures

In short: Safe Sport is how we ensure every athlete feels safe, supported, and respected — always.

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## 2. What Foxjets Does to Protect Athletes

### Strict Coach–Athlete Boundaries

- No private one-on-one contact between coaches and minor athletes
- All communication includes parents
- No private texting or DMs
- Coaches may not “friend/follow” minor athletes on personal social media

### Safe Locker Room Practices

- No phones or cameras in locker rooms
- Adults enter only when necessary and announce themselves
- One-on-one interactions in these areas must be brief and visible

### Supervision at Practice and Meets

- Two-deep leadership whenever possible
- Team-affiliated photographers are Safe Sport-trained
- Coaching and conversation happen in clearly observable spaces

### Team Travel Rules

- Coaches and adult staff never share hotel rooms with minor athletes
- Athletes room with other athletes

- Team meetings and meals occur in shared, public areas

## Trained Staff

All coaches and adult participants complete:

- Background checks
- Safe Sport education
- Athlete Protection Training
- Annual MAAPP acknowledgment

These standards are part of Foxjets' culture and expectations.

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## 3. What Parents Should Know

### Stay Involved

You are welcome to observe practices from designated viewing areas. We value parent engagement.

### Communication Expectations

- Coaches include parents on all messages with athletes
- If your athlete messages a coach directly, the coach will add you
- Communication outside 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. is limited to time-sensitive meet or travel issues

### Drop-Off and Pick-Up

Help us maintain visibility and safety:

- Walk younger swimmers to the building

- Be prompt at pickup
- Notify us if someone new will be picking up your athlete

## Photography

If you **do not** want your athlete included in Foxjets media, email:  
**president@swimfoxjets.com**

We will make reasonable efforts to honor this request.

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## 4. What Athletes Should Know

We reinforce this with swimmers, but it helps when families reinforce it too:

- If something feels uncomfortable, say something
- It is always okay to tell a coach "I don't want help right now"
- No coach, older athlete, or volunteer should message privately
- Locker room behavior must be safe and respectful
- You can always talk to:
  - A parent
  - A coach you trust
  - Safe Sport Coordinator **Tom Masters**

Athletes should never have to navigate concerns alone.

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## 5. Safe Sport Training

### Parents

Strongly encouraged to complete the **Parent Safe Sport Training** (about 20 minutes). This helps parents understand boundaries, communication expectations, and how to recognize concerns.

## **Coaches & Adult Participants**

Required annually. Also complete background checks and MAAPP acknowledgment.

(No athlete training requirement listed.)

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# **6. How to Report a Concern**

If something seems off — even if you're unsure — please speak up. Reporting helps protect athletes.

**Foxjets Safe Sport Coordinator**  
Tom Masters – [president@swimfoxjets.com](mailto:president@swimfoxjets.com)

**Head Coach**  
Lloyd Larsen – [lloyd@swimfoxjets.com](mailto:lloyd@swimfoxjets.com)

### **USA Swimming Online Reporting Form**

**U.S. Center for SafeSport**  
833-5-US-SAFE

If someone is in immediate danger: **Call 911**

Foxjets does not tolerate retaliation for good-faith reporting.

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# **7. Our Values**

Safe Sport fits naturally into what Foxjets stands for:

- **Family** — We support and care for each other.
- **Integrity** — We do the right thing even when it's hard.

- **Attitude** — We approach challenges with positivity.
- **Ambition** — We aim high in the pool and in life.

A safe environment is the foundation for everything we do.

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## 8. Final Thoughts

Your athletes mean the world to you — and they matter just as much to us. If you ever have a question or concern, reach out anytime. We want Foxjets to be a place where every swimmer feels safe, encouraged, and confident.