

Foxjets Safe Sport Guide for New Families

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

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.)

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

Head Coach
Lloyd Larsen – 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.

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.

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.