

Aquatic Safety CODE OF CONDUCT
For Aquatic Staff and Lifeguards at CSCSC

1. Lifeguards will never guard from standard height chairs.
2. Lifeguards will actively scan from elevated chair or platform or standing patrolling at the edge of the pool.
3. Lifeguards should be easily identifiable, wearing only the issued uniform and bathing suit/shorts. The guards will wear rescue tube with strap across the chest and have a whistle, a pocket mask and gloves with them at all times.
4. Lifeguards will swim test and mark all children and will be conducted in accordance with CSCSC protocols.
5. Lifeguards will attend scheduled in-service training: 4 hours per month for fulltime guards, 2 hours per month for others. CPR skills will be tested regularly during in-service.
6. Audits will be conducted during a regular basis. Lifeguards will be held accountable for their performance.
7. Any time the main pool has people in it, on its deck, or is not locked and secured will be actively guarded by at least one qualified lifeguard.
8. Lifeguards will actively scan their entire area of responsibility every 10 seconds, even if swimmers are only in a portion of it. The scanning should produce a constant awareness of presence and activity on and below the water's surface, on the pool bottom, and the pool deck.
9. Lifeguards will not compromise their scanning activity by ancillary (assigned) duties or extraneous (elective) activities. This includes eating while on active duty.
10. Lifeguards will position themselves so that their view of the pool bottom of their entire area of responsibility is not compromised by glare, building components, or floating play structures.
11. Lifeguards will position themselves so that they can each any area of their responsibility within 10 to 20 seconds.
12. Lifeguards will limit conversations while on active duty. If conversation is needed, lifeguards should keep their eyes on their zone of coverage and should not make eye contact with the person talking to him or her.
13. Lifeguards should conduct the 15-minute rule when guarding from an elevated chair or platform. Lifeguards should get down from the chair and actively patrol their zone of coverage every 15 minutes while on active duty.
14. Prior to guard change, the entering guard will do one patrolling scan of pool. The lifeguard should do an entire lap around the pool looking at every part of the pool including the deck. After rotation the exiting guard will also do a patrolling lap around the pool.

I understand that any violation of this Code of Conduct may result in termination.

Name _____ Date: _____