***LSC Pool Duty:***

* Parental pool duty is a mandatory requirement of Swim Ireland.
* It is a requirement for a parent to be present on poolside for all swimming sessions where there are swimmers under 18yrs in the pool.
* This is a very important requirement designed to protect our swimmers and coaches and needs to be strictly adhered to at all times.
* The coach has a copy of the pool duty roster on pool deck and a record will be taken of pool duty attendance for all sessions by the coach on the duty, noting details in the pool duty book.
* In the event that a parent wishes to swap dates with another parent, this is acceptable and is a matter for the parent to arrange. All sessions must be covered.
* If a parent fails to show up for 2 or more pool duties, there will be sanctions. Please refer to [www.limswim.ie](http://www.limswim.ie) for further information.

***When on pool duty you should***

* Arrive 15 mins before the session starts.
* Identify yourself to the Coach conducting the training sessions as the person who will be performing Pool Duty.
* Stay on the pool side (on the pool deck in Grove Island) for the full duration of the session and remain until all swimmers have left the poolside.
* Be in full view of the pool and changing room entrance to observe movement of swimmers. Be within earshot of any exchanges between swimmers and coaches.
* Ensure any swimmers who leave the pool return within a reasonable length of time.
* The only people allowed on the poolside are the coaches and person on pool duty.
* Please ensure that all other parents/guardians remain in the gallery area unless requested by the coach or the parent on pool duty, to go to the poolside.
* Attend to a child’s needs if the child feels ill or has difficulty with goggles etc.
* Any swimmer who feels unwell should remain poolside with the parent on duty until the end of the session or if necessary the swimmers parent should be contacted.
* Assist the coach whenever requested by the coach.
* Do not interfere with the coach’s programme and do not discipline swimmers.
* You will be required to sit behind the coach/coaches in UL and Grove Island.
* In Grove Island you will be required to ensure no public members have entered the communal changing rooms 5 minutes before the session finishes and to stand outside the communal changing area once the swimming session has finished.
* Parent on duty to ensure that misconduct does not occur in the communal changing area.
* All parents should be aware that swimmers use communal changing area that is open to the public.
* All swimmers are expected to use squad (group) changing rooms as the communal area is open to the public to use
* Do not enter the squad rooms whilst they are being used by the swimmers.
* Report any incidents of concern to a committee member after the session.
* Child Welfare guidelines are available from Swim Ireland website and can be accessed and/or downloaded by swimmers, leaders and parents.
* Remain on duty until the last child has been collected by their parent.