SECTION 12

ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION

A. Electronic Communication

- 1. Pacific Swimming recognizes the prevalence of electronic communication and social media in today's world. Many of our athletes use these means as their primary method of communication. While Pacific Swimming acknowledges the value of these methods of communication, Pacific Swimming also realizes that there are associated risks that shall be considered when adults use these methods to communicate with minors.
- 2. All communications between a coach, or other adult including but not limited to official chaperone or manager, and athlete shall be professional in nature and for the purpose of communicating information about club activities. The content and intent of all electronic communications shall adhere to the USA Swimming Code of Conduct regarding Athlete Protection.
- 3. Pacific Swimming will follow the current version of the USA Swimming Minor Athlete Abuse Protection Policy (MAAPP) which is located on the USA-Swimming website. Pacific Swimming may impose additional requirements for specific meets which will be included in the meet announcement.
- 4. The Board of Directors is authorized to update the Electronic Communication Policy whenever changes are desirable or mandated by USA Swimming. The current Electronic Communication Policy will be published in the Policies & Procedures.

