

No Flotation Device Agreement

By enrolling your child in **Dawson Aquatics** you are agreeing to not use ANY type of flotation device for your child from this point on. That means no water wings, floaties, or vests with flotation items installed in them, nothing that buoys your child in the water artificially or keeps his head above water while swimming. The only exceptions are: 1) a boating regulation life vest that is worn while the child is in the boat, out of the water, and 2) while in a water park that requires participants to wear a life vest. Please refrain, though, from having your child wear a vest in such a water park during the initial 5-6 weeks of four-days-a-week Dawson Aquatics lessons, as it will sabotage everything your child is working on during that time.

The teaching technique we use at Dawson Aquatics is based on psychological and behavioral conditioning, and though the Instructor makes it LOOK easy, what she's doing in the water with your child is a delicate and complex behavioral modification process that can be easily confused during the learning period.

Everything we're doing in the water day after day is training your child that: "1) I must be horizontal in the water, and there I am safe, 2) I know what the water can and cannot do to me because I've been given plenty of opportunity to experience my body, unassisted, in the water, and 3) In a surprise situation I will not panic, because I know I can rely on myself, with no one and nothing else around to help me. My body has been turned into a floating machine!"

Putting anything on your child that interrupts this learning process during these few short weeks of training undermines all the hard work that your child, the Instructor, and you, are doing here at Dawson Aquatics.

I've read all of the above and have had the opportunity to ask the Instructor any and all questions that I may have. I agree that I will put no flotation devices on my child from this point on, and will instruct my spouse, parents, in-laws, additional family members, friends of the family, nanny, and so on...that we're all abiding by this policy for the duration of my child's lessons.

I understand that a breach of this agreement will be cause for immediate termination of my child's lessons with no refund of any monies paid.

Signed _____

Dated _____

Student's Name _____