

SAFETY & RESPONSE POLICY

SPIRAL OF EMOTIONAL ABUSE

POWER & CONTROL

Intimidation

- · Screaming
- Personal property damaged or destroyed
- · Items thrown at or near athlete
- · Personal Space invaded
- · Exercise used as punishment

Degradation

- · Public humiliation
- · Criticism unrelated to the skill
- · Discriminatory language
- Body shaming
- Name calling
- · Public isolation

Isolation

- · Removal from social circle
- · Isolation from the team
- Practices closed for unspecified amounts of time
- · Controlling outside social time

Parental Manipulation

- · Professional lines blurred
- · Success promised to maintain control
- · Parents made to feel the child is at fault
- · Threats made if athlete/parent wants to leave

Minimizing

- · Responsibility is shifted to others
- Parents blamed for reporting
- · Work ethic of athlete questioned
- · Competitive success is used as excuse

Economic

- · Shifting fee structures
- · Fees that go against industry standards
- · Athlete's career threatened

Neglect of Basic Needs

- · Injuries ignored
- · Medical care denied
- · Water, food, bathroom denied for punishment
- · Mental health care denied
- Time off refused

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