STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

To ensure that everyone has a positive experience while participating in a camp or program located at facilities of the University of North Carolina Wilmington (“UNCW”), students attending the Program are expected to behave in a disciplined, responsible and respectful manner when on or off the UNCW campus. Failure to follow these rules and regulations will subject the students to immediate disciplinary action as described more fully below.

As a condition of the student’s participation, both parents/guardians and students must agree that neither UNCW (nor the instructors, staff members, resident assistants and desk staff) are guarantors of the safety of the students, particularly for the students’ unsupervised time and instances where the students fail to follow applicable rules and regulations.

Students will:
- respect Program staff requests and follow all of their directions with a positive attitude;
- respect all safety guidelines required by Program staff including prescribed locations and boundaries;
- respect all curfew, wake-up and lights-out policies (residential students);
- wear appropriate clothing and closed-toes shoes during all field activities;
- respect the differences in other people, make an effort to include everyone;
- pick-up after themselves (at all locations) and throw all trash away;
- respect other people’s personal property and privacy;
- treat all animals (invertebrate and vertebrate) and their environments with respect;
- respect all UNCW property including equipment, boats, buildings and the campus;
- be respectful of UNCW students and staff when in university buildings;
- let their Program counselor know if they are not having a good time;
- immediately bring disagreements to the attention of Program staff;
- behave in an age-appropriate manner.
- dress in a manner consistent with the MarineQuest dress code

Students will not:
- fight, tease or bully other students using any part of their body, gestures or words;
- behave in a manner that may hurt another student or staff member’s feelings;
- put themselves, other students or Program staff at risk
- go anywhere without the permission and accompaniment of counselors;
- go into water above knee-level unless given permission while in a lifeguard’s presence
- use derogatory terms or offensive language at any time;
- bring inappropriate items to program (weapons, drugs, cigarettes, R-rated materials, binoculars, etc.)
- enter the sleeping quarters or shower areas of the opposite sex (residential students)
- alter, damage, destroy, and/or deface the MarineQuest brand and/or logo (including, but not limited to, tee-shirts, posters, and signs)
- open windows or prop open locked doors in any buildings but particularly in the dormitory;
- bring any type of electronic equipment that is prohibited (as outlined in the “Other Electronic Devices” section and can be found in the Rules and Regulations pages);
- use cell phones for any purpose that in any way that violates the cell phone policy terms and conditions.

Parents will:
- provide all necessary information to ensure that their child has a safe and positive program experience and informs the MarineQuest staff of the best way to interact with/manage their child;
- review the Student Code of Conduct with their child prior to arrival at the Program.
Parents will not:
- interact with Program staff in a threatening/abusive manner at any time (in person or on the phone) or their child will be dismissed from the Program without tuition/fee refund.
- interact with campers or their parents in a threatening/abusive manner at any time (in person or on the phone) or their child will be dismissed from the Program without tuition/fee refund.

I understand and acknowledge (with my signature below) that if I chose not to follow the Student Code of Conduct that on my:
First offense - I will be given a verbal warning explaining the expected behavior;
Second offense - I will be removed from the activity and my parent(s) will be called to discuss my behavior.
Third offense - my parent(s) will be called notifying them of my dismissal from program.
Furthermore, I understand that MarineQuest has a zero tolerance policy for some actions. In these cases students will be immediately dismissed and will not receive a program refund. Additional information about the MarineQuest zero tolerance policy can be found on the rules and regulations page under “discipline”.

Parent’s/Guardian’s Signature  _______________________________ Date ________
Student’s Signature  _______________________________ Date ________