



VICTORIAN
UNDERWATER HOCKEY
COMMISSION INC

Victorian Underwater Hockey Commission (VUHC)

CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

1. This Code of Behaviour specifically applies to and binds all VUHC members.
2. This Code of Behaviour also provides guidance in relation to the expected behaviour and proper conduct of players, officials and supporters.
3. VUHC members, players, officials and supporters shall abide by the spirit and positive values of the game of underwater hockey including those of fair play, respect, tolerance, equity, and the maintenance of a high standard of personal behaviour and integrity at any time they are representing the VUHC (i.e. during training sessions, game nights, social functions, attendance at interstate or national competitions etc etc) and/or attending VUHC sanctioned events or competitions, or any events or competitions run by recognised clubs in Victoria.
4. VUHC members must abide by the Australian sports drug code.
5. VUHC members, players, officials and supporters will not use any form of profanity.
6. VUHC members, players, officials and supporters must respect the rights, dignity, and worth of each and every person involved in the sport and will not intimidate, offend, insult or humiliate another player on the grounds of age, religion, sexual orientation, gender, disability (sensory, mental or physical handicap), race, colour, marital or parental status, political ideology, economic disadvantage, and ancestry, national or ethnic origin.
7. VUHC members, players, officials and supporters must accept responsibility for their own behaviour and performance.
8. VUHC members, players, officials and supporters will show respect and courtesy to the referee and match officials, and respond promptly to any rulings, decisions or requests they make whether before, during or after a match.
9. VUHC members, players, officials and supporters must not engage in a physical attack or assault, including but not limited to, the laying of a hand upon, pushing, shoving, striking, or kicking of any official, participant, coach, team representative, or spectator.



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10. VUHC members, players, officials and supporters will endeavour at all times to be mindful of safety concerns involving themselves and other members during the course of training, competition and non-competitive activities
11. VUHC members, players, officials and supporters will not damage or deface any VUHC sanctioned facilities.
12. VUHC members will not use deliberately rough tactics during a game against the body or person of an opposing participant.
13. VUHC members, players, officials and supporters must not use abusive, threatening, intimidating, harassing or insulting language, conduct or behaviour towards another person.
14. Members shall respect and play within the laws and regulations that govern the sport of Underwater hockey as set out by the Confédération Mondiale Des Activités Subaquatique (CMAS) or as interpreted by Underwater Hockey Australia (UHA) or the VUHC Committee.
15. If any party breaches this code of conduct, the VUHC Committee may:
 - a) Provide a written warning to the alleged offender; and/or
 - b) Inform Underwater Hockey Australia of the alleged conduct and any concerns regarding the conduct and/or behaviour of VUHC members, players, officials and/or supports; and/or
 - c) Where the alleged offending conduct concerns a VUHC member, take disciplinary action in accordance with Division 2 of the VUHC Rules.

I, _____ am a member of the VUHC and agree to abide by this Code of Behaviour.

Signed: _____

(player/member and/or parent/guardian where player/member is under 18 years of age)

Date:



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History and status of VUHC Code of Behaviour

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