

### **VUHC Code of Behaviour**

1. Members 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 VUHC (i.e. during training sessions, game nights, social functions etc.)
2. Members must abide by the Australian sports drug code.
3. Members will not use any form of profanity.
4. Members 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.
5. Members must accept responsibility for their own behaviour and performance.
6. Members 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.
7. Members will not engage in a physical attack, 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.
8. Members 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
9. Members will not be guilty of damaging or defacing any VUHC sanctioned facilities.
10. Members will not use deliberately rough tactics during a game against the body or person of an opposing participant.
11. 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 (UWHA) or the VUHC.

If any party breaches this code of conduct, then such a breach may lead to either temporary or permanent expulsion from the VUHC, subject to review, to be decided by the VUHC committee.