



POLICY DOCUMENT

CODE OF CONDUCT

PLAYERS

Players shall:

- a) Respect and promote the initiatives and endeavors of SAUWHF;
- b) Accept responsibility for their participation in the sport by adhering to all rules and regulations established by SAUWHF, the relevant Provincial Federation and Club;
- c) Demonstrate good sportsmanship towards fellow players, coaches, officials, managers, parents and spectators at every practice, game, competition or tournament;
- d) Attend every practice and game, competition or tournament or will notify the coaching staff if he/she cannot be present;
- e) Follow all reasonable instructions of the coaching staff with the aim of listening and learning, from them;
- f) Treat coaches, other players, officials, parents and spectators with respect due to them at all times, and avoid using vulgar or foul language when speaking to anyone;
- g) Expect to be treated with respect by other players, coaches, officials, parents and spectators regardless of gender, race, religion or abilities;
- h) Contribute to providing a playing environment free from swearing, smoking and alcohol consumption, and illicit drugs or prohibited substances;
- i) Contribute to finding a physical environment and facilities that are safe to play in;
- j) Acquire and maintain personal sport equipment and supplies that are safe and technically appropriate to use;
- k) Work hard to improve their skills and abilities, through applying themselves in training and through recovery;
- l) Always comply with the requirements, policies and rules of the South African Institute for Drug-Free Sport (SAIDS) as well as the World Anti-Doping Agency. The policies and specific information are available on the SAIDS website (www.drugfreesport.org.za) and the PLAYER will familiarize him/herself with the content of these policies and procedures. The policies may also be explained to the student at information sessions and are available upon request from SAUWHF.

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- m) Irrevocably consent to undergo testing or provide a sample to be analyzed in order to determine whether they have taken prohibited substances or stimulants.
- n) Accept the authority of the SAIDS and the relevant Provincial and/or SAUWHF and understand that the refusal to co-operate may result in disciplinary action being taken against them.
- o) Accepts that testing positive for the use of banned substances will result in disciplinary action and may result in expulsion from the relevant Provincial and/or SAUWHF and may include being banned from participating in the sporting code, whether permanently or for a fixed period.
- p) Strictly adhere to the provisions of this Policy, Codes of Conduct, the policies of the SAUWHF (including Constitutions, Codes, By-laws, Rules and Regulations of Sports Governing Bodies to which Clubs, Provinces, National Juniors, National Elite and Masters are affiliated to) both in the water and out when competing in National Colours at any international competition or tournament for the duration of the tournament; and
- q) Behave in a manner that will not bring the South African underwater hockey, its national colours or the SAUWHF into disrepute.
- r) Will not make detrimental statements in public (radio, television, print or electronic media) in respect to the performance of any player, team, match officials or any policy decisions of the SAUWHF.
- s) Will not use remarks based on race, religion, gender or ability as many such comments are politically incorrect and understand that by doing so, it is my coach, team-mates, SAUWHF and family that are let down with such remarks.
- t) Will refrain from using information technology to make or post inappropriate comments against players, teams, countries, coaches, match officials and managers which is discriminatory or offensive. Information technology includes, but is not limited to, email, instant messaging, text messages, phone messages, digital images, website postings (including social media such as WhatsApp, Facebook, Twitter and blogs). ^[OBJ]

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Signed:

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