



Hunter Hurricanes Player Code of Behaviour

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- Play by the rules.
- Never argue with an official. If you disagree, have your captain, coach or manager approach the official after the competition.
- Use social media for the benefit of our sport and community, appropriately and responsibly, and not to slander, malign players, teams, clubs or the club and its associations. Abide by the Hunter Hurricanes Social Media Policy.
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials, coaches, team mates, team management and or the Hurricanes Board members and sledging other players, deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent are not acceptable or permitted behavior's in any sport.
- Work equally hard for yourself and/or your team. Your team's performance will benefit and so will you.
- Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays whether your team or the opposition makes them.
- Treat all participants in your sport as you like to be treated. Do not bully or take unfair advantage of another competitor.
- Cooperate with your coach, teammates and opponents. Without them there would be no competition.
- Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please parents and coaches.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion
- Consumption of Alcohol is not permitted for U18s in any setting and only for over 18s outside of competition and after approval from the coaches and team management.
- Use of illegal drugs, recreational or sports enhancing is strictly prohibited and will result in disciplinary action and possible suspensions.
- Players are expected to make the Hurricanes their first claim representative club and only in exceptional cases and with permission of the board may they be released to play for competing clubs.
- Not engage in criminal behaviour.
- Comply with all training requirements established by your Team Coach.
- Wear the Hunter Hurricanes Team Uniform where required.
- Ensure that when travelling Team Coaches and / or Manager are aware of your whereabouts at all times.
- For State & Nationals as required travel and stay in the same accommodation as stated by Team Officials.
- Support the sponsors of the Hunter Hurricanes. Respect the property of others whether personal or public.
- Have paid for or made arrangements to pay for all Hunter Hurricanes Invoices issued by the due date.
- Remember that in all times I am an ambassador for my club, team and sport.
- Abide by the 'Think, Act & Play' requirements.
- Accept and be available for random or selective drug testing in accord with Water Polo Australia, WPNSW and the Australian Sports Drug Agency Policy and regulations.
- Do not knowingly, recklessly or carelessly do, write or say anything or omit to do anything which in the opinion of WPNSW is likely to bring WPNSW or the sport of water polo into disrepute or cause damage to its officers or employees or any Official.

When registering with the Hunter Hurricanes, players acknowledge that they have read and understood this Code of Behaviour, and the other codes and policies of the club. These codes and policies can be found at <https://www.revolutionise.com.au/canes/about/resources/> Any breaches of these codes or policies, may lead to disciplinary action including (but not limited to) suspension from training or games, and or expulsion from the team, squad or club.