## PLAYER/ATHLETE CODE OF CONDUCT



As a player/athlete of Southern River Hockey Club (SRHC), you must meet the following requirements with regard to your conduct:

- Behave in a sporting manner at all times to all players, officials and spectators.
- Don't make detrimental statements in respect of the performance of any match officials or umpires.
- Play by the rules at all times and ensure that the game of hockey is not brought into disrepute by your actions.
- Do not engage in inappropriate and/or physical contact with players or officials during the course of play.
- Accept responsibility for all actions taken. Exercise reasonable care to prevent injury by ensuring
  that you play within the rules. Reasonable care consists of showing due diligence in abiding by the
  rules and adhering to the officials decisions.
- Do not bet on the outcome or on any other aspect of a hockey match or competition.
- Do not try to achieve a contrived outcome to a match or competition, or otherwise improperly influence the outcome or any other aspect of a match or a competition.
- Do not show unnecessary obvious dissension, displeasure or disapproval (by action or verbal abuse) towards an umpire or match official as a consequence of his or her decision or generally.
- Adhere to the HA Member Protection Policy including the racial and sexual vilification policy.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
- Don't do anything which adversely affects or reflects on or discredits the game of hockey, HA, a
  Member, or any squad, team, competition, tournament, sponsor, official supplier or licensee,
  including, but not limited to, any illegal act or any act of dishonesty or fraud.
- Refrain from using obscene, offensive or insulting language and/or making obscene gestures which may insult other players, officials or spectators.

The SRHC Executive Committee is responsible for ensuring that this Code of Conduct is met at all times.

This policy has been adapted from the current Hockey Australia Member Protection Policy (version 9 December 2015) which can be found here - <a href="http://www.hockey.org.au/policies">http://www.hockey.org.au/policies</a>

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