



## ATHLETE CODE OF CONDUCT

The Code of Conduct applies to Registrants' conduct during SSWPC activities and events including, but not limited to competitions, tournaments, games, matches, practices, tryouts, training camps, and travel associated with WPC.

The Code of Conduct also applies to Registrants' conduct outside of SSWPC activities, and events when such conduct adversely affects relationships within SSWPC (and its work and sporting environment) or when it is detrimental, or perceived to be detrimental, to the image and reputation of SSWPC. Such applicability will be determined by SSWPC at its sole discretion.

The following outlines the terms and conditions of the Athlete Responsibilities, in addition to the SSWPC Code of Ethics:

- I will arrive at the advised time, well-nourished, and prepared to participate to their best abilities in all competitions, practices, training sessions, tryouts, tournaments, and events.
- I will act fairly and show respect towards other players and not act in a violent manner, use foul language or gestures to other athletes, officials, coaches, or spectators.
- I will dress in a manner representative of SSWPC, focusing on neatness, cleanliness, and discretion.
- I will act in accordance with SSWPC and Water Polo Ontario/Canada's policies and procedures and, when applicable, additional rules as outlined by coaches or managers
- When I use social media accounts, I will be mindful of SSWPC and OWP/ WPC's reputation. Do not post anything defamatory, harassing or indecent .
- I will never ridicule a participant for a poor performance or practice.
- I understand that unless of legal age, athletes are prohibited from possessing or using alcohol, marijuana, tobacco or vaping materials\*
- I understand that athletes of legal age are prohibited from possessing or using alcohol, marijuana, tobacco or vaping materials during any SSWPC events, including games, practices, competitions, and other team events\*
- I understand that all athletes are prohibited from using any illegal substances and/or performance enhancing drugs.\*

*\* Any contravention related to drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or vaping during an away trip is sufficient grounds for a participant to be disciplined by a coach leading up to being sent home at his/her own expense*

- I understand that any physical damage occurring to, or cost arising from missing items from a room on an away trip is the responsibility of the registered occupant(s) unless some other person is proven responsible. If more than one person is sharing a room, the cost will be shared equally if there is no admission of guilt. The Club shall be responsible for collecting any such costs.



I understand that I may be sanctioned by the Club coaches or Team Managers if I exhibit the following behaviours:

- Committing any act that would be considered an offence under Federal, Provincial, or Municipal laws.
- If occurring on an away trip, the offender may be sent home at their own expense. When this is not possible the offender shall, at their own expense, be sent home as soon as possible, disqualified from further participation in a program, or games within a tournament. The family shall be informed by phone and followed up with an email.
- Gross misbehaviour (this also includes hazing that is physically or mentally abusive).
- Reporting for a game in an impaired condition.

Since all Clubs come under the jurisdiction of WPC, all participating Clubs are bound to supervise their teams in keeping with the WPC Code of Conduct. All complaints which may arise from such teams shall be dealt with by the WPC Discipline Committee as set up by the Board of Directors.

I \_\_\_\_\_ (Athlete) acknowledge that I have read and understood the Athletic Code of Conduct. I agree that should I not comply with these responsibilities, I (and my parents in the case of a participant under the age of 19) will accept all costs incurred should it be deemed necessary to send me home as a result.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (Athlete) , my parents and/or guardians, heirs, executors, and administrators hereby release Scarborough Shadow Water Polo Club and its representatives (including organizers of a program, trip or tournament sanctioned by them) from any and all claims or actions I may have resulting from any injuries I may sustain during the course of the program and/or trip.

Signature of Parent required if under the age of 19.