

Official's Code of Conduct

An official appointed by a Club or Association and competing in an event held or sanctioned by SWHL must meet the following requirements in regard to conduct during the event and in any role held within SWHL.

The SWHL committee is responsible for ensuring that the Code of Conduct is met at all times. If in their opinion, there is a breach of the Code of Conduct the player may be suspended from the competition.

In accepting appointment as a Club of Association Official, a person agrees to:

1. Behave in a sportsmanlike manner at all times to other players, officials and spectators

2. Make no detrimental statements in public in respect of the performance of any match officials, umpires, competitors, coaches or spectators in SWHL competitions.

3. Accept responsibility for all actions taken.

4. Not engage in any doping practice, the use of drugs or other banned substance unless prescribed by a medical doctor.

5. No bet on the outcome or on any other aspect of a hockey match or competition.

6. Not throw or fix a match, try to achieve a contrived outcome to a match or competition, or otherwise influence improperly the outcome or any other aspect of a match or competition.

7. Not show unnecessary obvious dissension, displeasure or disapproval towards an umpire, technical official, tournament director or other official as a consequence of his or her decision or generally.

8. Refrain from any sexual harassment towards other players and officials and treat all participants fairly and with the context of their sporting activities, regardless of gender, race, place of origin, athletic potential, colour, sexual orientation, religion, political beliefs, socio-economic status and other conditions.

9. Not do anything which adversely affects or reflects on or discredits the game of hockey, Hockey Australia, any member State Association, 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.