



WATER SAFETY IRELAND SURF LIFESAVING ATHLETES CODE OF CONDUCT

(This code of conduct must be signed by all Athletes representing their WSAC, or COUNTRY, or if under 18, by their parents).

(1) ALL team members are required to join the team at the point of departure and return to that point with the team. Requests for individual exceptions from the travel plans must be communicated to the TEAM MANAGER or the TEAM COACH, well in advance of departure and will only be considered in exceptional circumstances.

(2) From arrival at the meeting point you are responsible to the TEAM OFFICIALS until the trip is complete and the team disperses.

(3) As a representative of your WSAC, or Country, you are expected to dress and behave in a fitting manner.

(4) Socially improper language is not acceptable, in the company of your team-mates or the public.

(5) All members are required to wear the kit and equipment issued by the current sponsor, whilst competing for or representing your WSAC, or COUNTRY. This applies from the start of a representative trip until the team disperses. No logos or advertising may be added to any gear without written agreement of WSI SPORT'S COMMISSION.

(6) Athletes may not obtain sponsorship without the written permission of the WSI SPORT'S Commission.

(7) Team members must attend all meetings and other functions as directed by the TEAM OFFICIALS.

(8) Punctuality is required on all occasions.

(9) Curfews or other restrictions are in your interest and must be observed.

(10) Athletes must join the team free of the effects of alcohol or other illegal substances and must not consume such items until the competition or training camp is over. At that time the, athletes who are 18 years of age or older, may with the express permission of the TEAM MANAGER, consume alcohol. Alcohol may only be consumed in the place assigned for it. ATHLETES under the legal IRISH DRINKING AGE are NOT permitted to consume alcohol, at any time. Athletes who are permitted to consume alcohol are required to be responsible in their consumption. INTOXICATION WILL NOT BE TOLERATED AND WILL RESULT IN SEVERE PENALTIES.

(11) Athletes are required to ensure that the TEAM MANAGER is fully informed of approved medications required. If a medical doctor has approved the medication then a written statement from them as to its content and dosage is required to be presented to the TEAM MANAGER prior to the trip. Under the rules of WADA, YOU are responsible for ensuring that you do not breach WADA drug laws and you may be required to submit to a WADA drug test either during competition or out of competition, once you are selected to represent IRELAND. Information on medical conditions and medication will be treated as STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL by the TEAM MANAGER.

(12) Athletes are required to co operate with the media so long as such co-operation does not interfere with their competition preparation or the instructions of the TEAM MANAGER OR THE EVENT ORGANISERS. The TEAM MANAGER will approve all interviews and be present or represented, where and when appropriate. In such interviews, athletes are required to present a positive image of Surf lifesaving sport and WATER SAFETY IRELAND and the team and to wear the gear issued by the current sponsor. Team members are not permitted to publicly criticise the administrative or technical affairs of WATER SAFETY IRELAND. Such concerns should be put in writing to WATER SAFETY IRELAND or the SPORT'S COMMISSION.

(13) Negative comment or criticism of the team or individual members of the team should be reserved for TEAM MEETINGS. It is important that there is mutual respect and unity amongst team members and officials. Athletes with a grievance should communicate it to the TEAM MANAGER. If they are still dissatisfied, they have a right to appeal the Team Manager's decision to the SPORT'S COMMISSION of WATER SAFETY IRELAND and ultimately if still dissatisfied and using the WSI appeals procedure, to the COUNCIL of WSI.

(14) Team members are required to sit with the team and to communicate with the TEAM COACH before and shortly after their race. Any necessary departure

from the team or its daily plans should be discussed with the TEAM MANAGER.

(15) Any form of sexual activity is considered inappropriate within a training or competition experience and IS FORBIDDEN whilst the athlete is under the jurisdiction of the TEAM MANAGER or coach.

(16) The TEAM MANAGER has the authority to deal with all disciplinary matters and the duty to impose penalties. These may include withdrawal from further competition or sending home of the athlete/s. Serious breaches of this code will be reported to the SPORT'S COMMISSION, who may take further action.

I have read the CODE OF CONDUCT and agree to its terms

SIGNED _____(athlete)

DATED _____

(if the athlete is under 18 years of age, a parent or guardian is required to sign)

I agree that my son/daughter/ward sign the above Code of Conduct and I accept that the terms of the CODE OF CONDUCT will apply to them whilst members of an IRISH SQUAD or TEAM during training or whilst representing WSI in competition.

SIGNED _____(parent/guardian/ward)

DATED _____

(This part of the Code Of Conduct should be cut out and forwarded with details of any special food requirements or details of any Medical conditions or Medications (with Doctors letter) to the TEAM MANAGER at least 7 ,seven days before departure).