



**SYDNEY UNI  
SPORT**

## **Sydney Uni Sport Intercollegiate Sport Code of Conduct**

**(Appendix VI of Intercol Constitution as of October 2013)**

### **Objectives**

- To ensure high standards of performance and behaviour by Sydney Uni members when competing for the University of Sydney (USYD), Sydney Uni Sport or its constituent clubs.
- To build on the values, spirit and traditions of Sydney Uni Sport.

### **General Sydney Uni Sport members must:**

- Conduct yourself in a proper and professional manner so as not to bring yourself, USYD, Sydney Uni Sport, Sydney University Intercollegiate Delegates Committee (Intercol) or the residential colleges of the University of Sydney into public disrepute;
- Observe and comply with all reasonable directions given by representatives of USYD, Sydney Uni Sport and/or its constituent club officials;
- Wear the approved uniform in all events when participating under the name of USYD, Sydney Uni Sport or its constituent clubs, including any official events in which the uniform is required;
- Only engage in lawful behaviour;
- Conduct yourself so as to obtain and maintain your greatest physical health and fitness so that your duties to your college team are carried out to the best of your ability;
- Not consume alcohol or other drugs at any sports venue or on board any vehicle;
- Not attempt to use, have in your possession, attempt to have in your possession, traffic or attempt to traffic a drug of dependence;
- Not take substances or use methods prohibited by the International Olympic Committee (IOC), as referred to on IOC list of doping classes and methods;
- Lodge any dispute through the correct channels i.e. via Intercol;
- Accept that the media spokesperson on all matters will be the representatives of USYD, Sydney Uni Sport and/or its constituent club officials or, heads of college;
- Adhere to the required rules and requirements associated with competitions, specified through the Intercol Constitution. Failure to do so may result in penalties for your college team;
- Abide by the Sydney Uni Sport Intercollegiate Sport Code of Conduct, Privacy and OH&S policies; and
- Abide by the Intercol Code of Conduct at Rawson Cup and Rosebowl competitions/ events.

## **Social Behaviour**

Sydney Uni Sport members must:

- Behave in an appropriate manner outside of the sporting arena, whether at social events or acting as a spectator and at no time harass officials, spectators or other participants. Demonstrate appropriate and responsible behaviour at all times. Follow the directions of the event officials and;
- Respect all members of your college, team and other college clubs and teams; <sup>2</sup> Show respect for others and for public property;
- Regardless of the level of provocation, if a Sydney Uni Sport member is the target of a physical assault they should, where possible, avoid responding and seek assistance from venue security or police;
- Condemn any form of sexual assault or harassment and recognise that an uninvited sexual advance may constitute harassment or assault;
- Recognise that no means no and that consent to sexual encounters must be informed, mutual and given freely;
- Be aware of the impact of group behaviour on people around them. Make sure that they are not doing anything to unduly interfere with other people's ability to socialise or enjoy facilities;
- Under no circumstances use foul or derogative language, behaviour or insinuations; and
- Refrain from indecent exposure by being fully and appropriately clothed at all times.

## **Playing and Duty**

Sydney Uni Sport members must:

- Obey instructions from competition staff, team or match officials and accept decisions made by them. Comply with the rules of the sport governing acceptable behaviour on the playing field;
- Behave in a fair and sporting manner at matches and events;
- Support other members of your team and your college in a positive way. Encourage fellow college and team members to strive for their best and to follow the rules and officials decisions;
- Not compete in events if suffering from obvious effects of alcohol or other drugs;
- Condemn the use of violence on any terms, be it by spectators, coaches, officials or participants. Avoid foul/derogatory language and deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent; and
- Report any injuries to representatives of Sydney Uni Sport, the event convenor or Intercol and carry out any reasonable instructions as a result of the injury.

## **Sydney Uni Sport Reputation and Public Comment**

Athletes, coaches and officials must not make any public or media comment which is detrimental to the interests of Sydney Uni Sport. This includes but is not limited to commenting negatively about:

- Sydney Uni Sport and associated entities;
- An event the Sydney Uni Sport member, coach or official is participating in;
- Sydney Uni Sport Sponsors;
- Officials;
- Competitors; or
- Fellow college peers, coaches, team managers and/or team officials.

When using social media, which includes, but is not limited to:

- Social networking sites e.g. Facebook, MySpace, Friendster;
- Video and photo sharing websites e.g. Flickr, YouTube;
- All photographs, video and audio 'material' posted onto social media or the internet;
- Micro-blogging sites e.g. Twitter;
- Weblogs, including corporate blogs, personal blogs or blogs hosted by traditional media publications such as smh.com.au;
- Forums and discussion boards such as Whirlpool, Yahoo! Groups or Google Groups; and
- Online encyclopedias such as Wikipedia and any other websites that allow individual users or companies to use simple publishing tools;

All Sydney Uni Sport members, coaches and officials must:

- Ensure communication all times conform to the values set out in the Code, is dignified and in good taste, and not contain vulgar or obscene words or images;
- Not imply that any personal comments are endorsed in any way by Sydney Uni Sport or a Sydney Uni Sport club or falsely represent any other person;
- Not participate in social media networks in such a way that harasses, defames, discriminates or treats unfairly or inappropriately any stakeholder of Sydney Uni Sport;
- Not communicate frustration at a referee, peer, team-mate, coach, competitor or sporting body via social network channels.
- Not speak for or post images on behalf of or related to Sydney Uni Sport business operations, marketing campaigns, facilities, membership, Athletes, coaches or officials or media coverage without the express prior approval of Sydney Uni Sport;
- Not use the Sydney Uni Sport logo or trademark;
- Not give out personal details, locations, confidential information or other content including images the Sydney Uni Sport member, coach or official does not have permission to publish;

- Only represent their own views and not impersonate others;
- Be responsible for obtaining, where applicable, the consent of any other persons appearing in any still or moving images posted;
- Always use social network forums to add value and promote the Sydney Uni Sport members', coaches or official's sport in a positive way.

### **Alleged Breaches**

Alleged breaches of the Sydney Uni Sport Intercollegiate Sport Code of Conduct and alleged breaches of the rules of your sport will be investigated in accordance with the policies and procedures of Sydney Uni Sport and Intercol if the alleged breach occurs at a Rawson Cup or Rosebowl event. Intercol and Sydney Uni Sport will decide on the consequences which may include (but are not limited to) suspension from the next match or fixture, suspension from one or more days of competition, suspension from the event, suspension from future Rawson Cup or Rosebowl events, notification to the state or national body of the sport, reference to USYD. At Rawson Cup and Rosebowl events, Sydney Uni Sport and Intercol may, at their discretion, terminate membership of the team, exclude members from competition, competition venues and social venues or send individuals home. Any costs involved with these actions will be the responsibility of the individual. Each member is accountable to their team, college, Sydney Uni Sport, USYD and Intercol (when at Rawson Cup and Rosebowl competitions/events).