



**Suburbs Piako Hockey Club**  
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## Player Agreement

### **Purpose:**

The purpose for a member's agreement is to specify what members can expect the club to provide, requirements of members to maintain and grow the club and expected behaviours of club members. The intention is for all members to work collectively to create a future for the club based on the pursuit of player and team excellence and a harmonious and rewarding club culture.

### **The club aims to provide:**

- Coaching by suitably qualified coaches including appropriate and structured training sessions to allow for the optimal development of players and teams in the areas of fitness, skills and strategy.
- A consistent and transparent selection policy based on commitment and performance.
- An environment that is conducive to player development and social interaction.

### **Expected behaviour of all members:**

#### **Financial**

- All players are responsible for ensuring that they are fully financial.
- All players acknowledge that as soon as they step onto the turf for an association sanctioned game of hockey, they have committed themselves to paying fees in full.
- No pay, No play.
- New players are to be fully financial with their old clubs prior to stepping on the pitch for us (you must produce a clearance).

#### **Codes for players**

- Play within the rules and with sportsmanship.
- All players aspiring to play in "competitive" grades are expected to train on a regular basis and inform coaches when unable to attend training or are unavailable for a game in a timely manner. For the high grade men, this means No training – No apology – No selection.
- Have respect for other players, coaches, officials and surrounds: This includes never arguing with an umpire: All queries to the umpire should go through the captain or the coach.
- Do their bit to maintain and grow the club (e.g. stay after your own game to support the next Suburbs Piako team, attend club functions, do a volunteer duty, encourage new members to join, assist with club fundraising).
- Follow disputes through appropriate club channels.
- Any player sent off for the abuse of an umpire or any other action which would bring the clubs name into disrepute will become ineligible for any club awards for that season.
- Players are not to turn up for training or games under the influence of alcohol or illicit substances.
- Adhere to all club policies.

**Uniform**

- The Club will provide a uniform at the beginning of each season. Players will be responsible for the care and return of the uniform issued to them.

**Codes for spectators**

- Condemn the use of violence in any form, be it by a spectator, coach, official or player.
- Not use foul language (particularly in the presence of junior members or where umpires can hear).
- Recognise the effort put in by club volunteers and the importance of what they do for the club.
- Clean up after themselves.

**Volunteering**

All players and/or families are expected to contribute towards umpiring or other club volunteering duties such as raffles, school coaching or helping on the door at club functions, over the course of a season.

**Duty of care**

Suburbs Piako Hockey Club expects all participants in Suburbs Piako Hockey Club events to take responsibility for their own safety by observing instructions, rules and guidelines, by wearing compulsory hockey safety equipment and by behaving in a safe and responsible manner towards other participants, officials, property and grounds. By signing below you are acknowledging that by participating in Suburbs Piako Hockey Club's activities you are participating at your own risk and may suffer injuries or loss (including financial loss) and damage as result of your participation in these hockey activities whether at training or in actual events.

**PLAYER POLICY & AGREEMENT**

**I have read and agree to adhere to the Player Policy distributed to me.**

Signature ..... Date.....

We appreciate your commitment to YOUR Hockey Club. With the active participation of all members we will work to ensure a viable & sustainable future.