



SPORT CLIMBING VICTORIA

CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

Victorian Climbing Team and Team Officials

1. INTRODUCTION

Being a member of the Sport Climbing Victoria (SCV) Team (Youth or Open) and official team is a privilege and comes with great responsibilities in the representation of Sport Climbing in Victoria and Australia. It is essential for all to act as an ambassador of competition sport climbing not only in Victoria but also nationally and internationally.

Each of these individuals should conduct themselves at training events, on trips and at competitions in a manner that benefits this representative position and in line with this Code of Behaviour. We seek to provide a safe, fair and inclusive environment for everyone involved in our organisation and in our sport. To achieve this a high standard of behaviour by athletes, coaches, officials, administrators, parents/guardians (of child participants) and spectators is essential. SCV expects all climbers representing Victoria to act, dress and behave in a way that reflects positively both on the sport and the State of Victoria.

1 REQUIREMENTS

1.1 Personal Interactions

Climbers will:

- display respect and courtesy towards others involved in our sport;
- act within the rules and spirit of our sport;
- act in a supportive and positive manner toward their teammates;
- demonstrate positive sportsmanship toward their fellow competitors; and
- respect the requests of event organisers, team management and the team coaches.

1.2 Social Media

Social media is a powerful tool which, when used well, can promote the sport as well as increase the appeal to sponsors for individuals, the team and SCV. This makes it vital for anyone on the Victorian climbing team to use social media appropriately.

When using social media, SCV athletes and officials are required to act in a supportive and positive manner toward their teammates and other competitors and must not post offensive or discriminatory comments.

1.3 Youth Team Uniform

Wearing the SCV Uniform is a privilege and climbers are asked to respect it as such.

- At official events, youth climbers are expected to wear the appropriate uniform when requested by the National Coaching Team and Sport Climbing Victoria.
- When wearing the team uniform, athletes and team officials and others are representing SCV and should act accordingly.

1.4 Travel

- On team trips, athletes are to respect the instructions of team management and the coaching team.



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- When traveling with the Victorian team athletes, officials and others must behave in a way that reflects positively on the team and SCV.
- When traveling with the youth team there will be no consumption of alcohol, regardless of the age of the athlete or official.

1.5 Training and Team Events

Team members are required, unless extenuating circumstances arise, to attend all specified SCV training camps and team events.

1.6 Safety and Equipment

- Climbers are required to conduct themselves, climb and belay in a safe manner at all times.
- Climbers are required to use safety equipment that is well maintained and in good working order.

1.7 Feedback to SCV

SCV values input from the Victorian Climbing Team. If you wish to give feedback to SCV, please send an email to any of the following board members:

- [Ellen White-Mackenzie](#)
- [Jimmy Xu](#)
- [Yvette Harrison](#)
- [Cathy Hainslin](#)

2 DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE

Failure to follow the above requirements will be reported to the SCV Board and may result in suspension from the State Team or the Officials Team.

3 GUIDE FOR PARENTS AND SUPPORTERS

All supporters of the team should:

- Lead by example and respect all athletes, coaches, officials and other spectators. Physical or verbal abuse will not be tolerated.
- Do not use remarks based on race, religion, gender or ability.
- Never ridicule mistakes or losses, supporters are there to support not downgrade.
- Please raise any personal concerns you may have with SCV team officials in private.
- Respect all volunteers who give up their valuable time.
- Respect the facilities and equipment in competition areas.
- Do not use social media to make or post inappropriate comments about athletes, teams, officials, state/national sporting organisations or facilities.
- Follow the IFSC rules in relation to spectators, in particular:
 - do not enter competition or isolation zones for any reason
 - do not call out information to climbers on the wall
 - do not distract, obstruct or disadvantage other climbers on the wall



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I _____ agree to abide by this code of conduct for the duration of my time on the Victorian Climbing Team.

Signature: _____

Date: _____