

Aqua Skier Code of Conduct

A purposeful code of conduct establishes an atmosphere of commitment within the team. It not only lays down a strong foundation for the Aqua Skiers, but also helps the Aqua Skiers enforce and implement legal as well ethical policies and procedures for all kinds of decision making.

A code of conduct should never be thought of as a burden to the team. In-fact it is the ground on which the team sets its foundation and the better the code of conduct and its implementation, the better the team will reach its goals.

1. I understand that it is an honor and a privilege to represent the Wisconsin Rapids Aqua Skiers. Therefore, I agree to conduct myself appropriately and honorably at all times. I understand that this conduct is not limited to Wisconsin Rapids Aqua Skiers activities and events.
2. As a member of the Wisconsin Rapids Aqua Skiers:
 - a) I agree to conduct myself in a mature, courteous, responsible and exemplary manner, and strive to continue to be a source of pride in our community.
 - b) I realize that the reputation of the Wisconsin Rapids Aqua Skiers is effected by, and dependent upon, my conduct and behavior.
 - c) I agree to join USA Water Ski (USA-WS) and the Wisconsin Water Ski Federation (WWSF).
 - d) I agree to know and follow National Show Ski Association (NSSA) rules before, during and following shows and practices. Safety First!
 - e) I agree to encourage my teammates to do their best and to share my talents with them.
 - f) I understand that I am encouraged to use "Skier Delegates" to convey concerns, ideas etc... to the Board of Directors.
3. In order to facilitate a pleasant, healthy and safe experience for all participants, to foster sportsmanship, integrity, team unity and spirit, and to enhance the reputation of the Wisconsin Rapids Aqua Skiers Show Team:
 - a) I will conform to all rules, regulations and procedures announced by the Wisconsin Rapids Aqua Skiers Board of Directors, including those of the Show Director and other adults and parents that may be in a supervisory position. (i.e. Safety Coordinator or Director, Show V.P, Sound, Dock Director, Boat Drivers, Riders and etc...).
 - b) I will respect the show director, show committee, my teammates, our opponents and officials.
 - c) I will compete and/or participate in all practices and shows to the best of my ability. I understand that becoming a member is a commitment to the team.
 - d) I will make every effort to be at all practices and shows on time and with the proper costumes and equipment needed.
 - e) I will assist with the work of the team.
 - f) I will take proper care of all team equipment and costumes to ensure that we will have them for many years of use.
 - g) I will not in any way endanger the safety of any other individual.

- h) I will respect the property of the team and that of other individuals. (i.e. no theft or destruction of property).
 - i) I will use good judgment in the consumption of alcohol (amount, timing etc.), as is applicable.
4. I further acknowledge that the following conduct is unacceptable and will not be tolerated:
- a) Possession or use of illegal drugs (this includes underage use of tobacco products).
 - b) Use of profanity or inappropriate language.
 - c) Inappropriate activities between group members.
 - d) Having in my possession anything that doesn't belong to me unless given permission by the owner.
 - e) No illegal alcohol consumption before, during or after any Aqua Skiers Show and/or any event that our team is involved in (i.e. parades, tournaments, off-site shows, etc.)
 - f) The timing of alcohol consumption such that a team member may be considered impaired during any Aqua Skiers Show and/or any event that our team is involved in (i.e. parades, tournaments, off-site shows, etc.)
5. I understand that Anyone (members and non-members) who becomes a distraction, or is disruptive, or is otherwise disorderly, may be asked to leave any team function, by any member of the Board of Directors.
6. I understand that failure to abide by this Code of Conduct may result in immediate Bylaw Article VII. disciplinary action including but not limited to the following:
- a) Suspension from the event.
 - b) Suspension and/or dismissal from the team.
 - c) Forfeiture of all payments, membership fees and credits.
 - d) Any combination of the above.

I agree that the Aqua Skiers Board of Directors' judgment will prevail in any disciplinary action that arises, and that any necessary code interpretation will be made by the Board of Directors at their next scheduled meeting or at the time of the violation, as needed.

I pledge to abide by the above Code of Conduct.

_____	Team Member	_____	Date
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_____	Parent's Signature	_____	Date

The Board of Directors also wishes to convey the following:

We will strive to be fiscally responsible and to keep members informed. All members have an opportunity in the decision making process by attending Board of Directors meetings and the annual meeting, by requesting an item be placed on the agenda for consideration by asking any Board of Director to do so, and by articulating any questions or concerns to the skier delegates, one of which is a voting member of the Board of Directors.

We will strive to promote a family friendly atmosphere, junior leadership, and teamwork and skier talent development. An Aqua Skier membership manual will be given to all new members. Please read it and keep it as a reference.

Remember, just because you're working doesn't mean you can't have fun!