

OUR COMMITMENT TO SAFE SPORT



"Water Polo Canada is committed to offer to all of its athletes and all individuals involved in the sport an environment free of all forms of abuse, harassment, bullying or discrimination."

Overview

Water Polo Canada adheres to the Universal Code of Conduct to Prevent and Address Maltreatment in Sport (UCCMS - [Canadian Safe Sport Program \(sirc.ca\)](http://sirc.ca))

Offering a safe environment to all our athletes and to all the various individuals who contribute to the Sport of water polo - whether they are coaches, officials, volunteers, staff, parents or only fans/spectators - is an absolute priority for Water Polo Canada. There are several components to consider in order to make this a reality, and this is what this SAFE SPORT section is all about.

As stated in our Code of Conduct:

All Registrants are responsible for maintaining and enhancing the dignity and self-esteem of Registrants and other individuals by:

- Demonstrating respect to individuals regardless of body type, physical characteristics, athletic ability, age, ancestry, colour, race, citizenship, ethnic origin, place of origin, creed, disability, family status, marital status, socioeconomic status, gender identity, gender expression, sex, and sexual orientation
- Focusing comments or criticism appropriately and avoiding public criticism of athletes, coaches, officials, organizers, volunteers, employees, or Registrants
- Consistently demonstrating a spirit of sportsmanship, sport leadership, and ethical conduct
- Acting, when appropriate, to correct or prevent unjustly discriminatory practices
- Consistently treating individuals fairly and reasonably
- Ensuring adherence to the rules of Water Polo and the spirit of those rules

Safe Sport includes other components such as Insurance, Anti-Doping Program, and appropriate Concussion Protocol, and you will also find here the relevant information on these different elements.

Back to the "environment free of all forms of abuse, harassment, bullying or discrimination" aspect of Safe Sport: the first three (3) of the sub-tabs below offers details and solutions that are for you.

- Under "[I want to report something](#)" you will find clear information on what to do and through which channels you should go should you have a situation to report or a complaint.
- Under "[Safe Sport Officer](#)," you will find information on the Independent Safe Sport Officer who is at your disposal to help if you have a situation to report or a complaint.
- Under "[Responsible Coaching & Respect in Sport](#)," you will find information on other programs that WPC is implementing in order to provide a positive environment for all to develop within our Sport.