



Code of Conduct

Introduction

Our Code of Conduct (the Code) underpins everything we do as a fishing club.

Our Code provides a guide to decisions, conduct and behaviour.

In simple terms, the Code helps us understand what our collective responsibilities and obligations are to: ourselves, other fishers, boaties and basically anyone when we are fishing in a Berwick Angling Club (BAC) competition.

Our Code of Conduct

Our Code is established to ensure as a club we all enjoy the fishing competitions and trips which we attend. We want everyone to have as much fun and adventure as possible, to make new friendships and forge fond memories.

The Code

We want members to - catch fish in line with the competition rules (bag limits and sizes), remain in line with fishing state rules, the state boating regulations and road laws.

We expect everyone to always behave and act in the right spirit and culture of the club.

We want everyone to return home safely to their families.

When does the code apply?

As a member, you are the face of the BAC.

On fishing competitions, you and any invited guests must comply with the Code.

Excessive alcohol or drug use whilst in control of a vessel or vehicle will not be tolerated.

Poor behaviour as a result of excessive alcohol or drugs will not be tolerated.

We will not tolerate anyone who breaches the Code and jeopardises the safety of others.

Breaching the Code

If any member is deemed to have breached our Code, the issue will be discussed and concluded by the President, Secretary or the committee.

A warning via an email letter from the President or Secretary will be issued to the offender/s. If deemed that the person/s has failed to comply with the Code, they will not be allowed back to the club.

Any member not financial will need to pay a \$50 re-joining fee if their fee is not paid by 30 June each year.

Membership fees are discussed and reviewed annually and placed on the web page and team app. Reminders are sent to all members about paying their fee.

Late fees will be reviewed by the Treasurer, reported to the President and Secretary for final decision.

Reporting Behavioural Breaches

Anyone BAC member or guest can report another member or guest if they believe there has been a breach of the Code. The report can be verbal or in writing to the President or to the Secretary.

All reports will be held in confidence and dealt with by the President or Secretary. In some cases, the committee may also be involved in decision making.

Why do we Need a Code?

We have developed the Code to be used as a guide for members to assist in making decisions, for the reputation of the club, the safety of members and for dealing with breaches.

The club has liability insurance but in serious circumstances this can be revoked if members do not comply within the laws of the state where they are fishing.