

Vikings Cheerleading

Code of Conduct for Athletes

We are fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of our members. The club believes it is important that members, coaches, administrators and parents associated with the club, should at all times, respect and show an understanding for the safety and welfare of others.

As a member of Vikings Cheerleading, the following standards of behaviour are expected:

- Demonstrate good timekeeping for training and competitions and have someone inform the coaches if they are going to be late.
- Athletes must wear appropriate clothing and footwear to training. Suitable clothing includes close fitting clothing, such as; shorts, tshirts, gym leggings, crop tops etc. Indoor, lightweight trainers (preferably cheer shoes) must be worn. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.
- All jewellery must be removed (including body piercings). Vikings Cheerleading does not take responsibility for any jewellery left in during the session.
- Athletes must respect the coaches, volunteers, judges and their decisions.
- Good manners and behaviour are expected at all times when training and representing the club.
- Cheerleaders must not drink alcohol or take drugs whilst at training, competitions, or any events representing the club.
- Athletes will commit to paying membership fees by the due dates provided. Should athletes not complete the season, all fees are non-refundable.
- All cheerleaders will help to participate in fundraising events that are beneficial of the team when possible.
- All cheerleaders must understand that they are making a commitment, and that the team is depending upon them to fulfil their responsibilities as a team member. Athletes should attend all training sessions and competitions unless an authorised absence has been discussed with a coach. Cheerleaders must understand that failure to come to training may result in the loss of a position within the routine.
- Cheerleaders must not use inappropriate language or participate in inappropriate behaviour.
- Cheerleaders must tell a coach prior to the session about any injuries or illnesses.
- Athletes will display good sportsmanship at training and competitions, and will not disrespect any team member, coach, parent or competitor from Vikings or another gym. This includes face-to-face, telephone, text, email and social networking sites.
- Cheerleaders may ask for feedback, however must not unreasonably question coach's decision during training, however any clarification required can be obtained at the start or end of the session from the coach.
- Training and event facilities should be treated with respect. Clothing and training equipment should not be left after the session.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please do not hesitate to contact Vikings Cheerleading directors Scott Reid and Steph Needley.