

## **Whiritoa Lifeguard Service**

## **Code of Conduct**

The primary object for which the Club has been established is to prevent death by drowning of those swimming and undertaking activities on Whiritoa Beach by providing lifesaving, lifeguarding patrol services, lifeguard training and other Programmes and services to our members.

Our secondary object is also to encourage family participation in the activities, administration, social events and entertainment at the Club. Our members share a mutual interest and respect for the objectives of the Club as well as respect for one another.

This Code of Conduct is to provide firstly a basis as to how members should conduct themselves, and secondly, to ensure a safe and welcoming environment for the mutual benefit of the membership as a whole.

- Seek and promote membership of the Club, membership is open to all those who are fulfilling the membership criteria.
- Privacy of individual members is to be respected. Personal information collected is for use within our organisation only in line with our privacy policy and is not available to others.
- Encourage and promote physical fitness of our club members, assist the Local Authority when called upon, and by appointing patrols, render all possible aid to those in distress.
- The safety and wellbeing of all members is paramount, it is the policy of the club to provide a healthy, safe and enjoyable environment for all members.
- If you see something being carried out which is unsafe or not fitting of a member, don't be afraid to speak up. Escalate to the Club Committee if necessary.

- No member will put other members at risk, either physically or emotionally. Respect the feelings of others and consider your actions which effects on others.
- No member should conduct themselves in a manner likely to give offence or cause harm to others. Harassment in any form will not be tolerated.
- Only club members who are over the age of 18 may consume alcohol on the club property.
- Our Club is a smoke free club. Smoking, including E-cigarettes & Vaping is not permitted anywhere on club grounds.
- We rely on the community for support. Your actions as a member may impact on the way the community views the club.
- Always act in good faith and loyalty to ensure the maintenance and enhancement of Surf Life Saving, its standards, quality and reputation for the collective and mutual benefit of our members and the Whiritoa Community.
- Respect for club property. It is yours. Clean and put away all equipment. Clean, close and lock the entire club when leaving the club.