MANDURAH MUSTANGS FOOTBALL AND NETBALL CLUB



ILLEGAL DRUG POLICY

The Mandurah Mustangs Football and Netball Club does not allow the use, distribution or selling of illegal drugs by any club member or any visitors within our club's jurisdiction. This policy reflects our club's commitment to protecting the health, safety and wellbeing of all persons associated with the club and all persons in attendance at club activities.

Definitions

This policy refers to legal or illegal drugs, which is defined as "a substance that is not permitted to be taken or used according to state or national laws of which may have the ability to impair a person's physical or mental capacity, such as cannabis (marijuana), amphetamines (speed and "ice"), ecstasy, cocaine, heroin and a range of new psycho-active substances known as synthetic drugs."

This policy should be read and understood in conjunction with the club's code of conduct.

When does this policy apply?

This policy applies whenever the individual is taking part in activities under the club's jurisdiction. This includes our club's facilities, games, matches, training, events and trips organised by the club. Private behaviour of members is not included in this policy as the club cannot be responsible for the behaviour of its members outside our club's jurisdiction; however, this policy will apply whenever an individual is wearing a part of the official club uniform which would identify them as being a representative of the club.

Who does this policy apply to?

All club members and visitors to our club.

What we will do

The Mandurah Mustangs Football and Netball Club will endeavour to educate the playing group generally in relation to the dangers of illegal Drugs.

Members who have concerns about playing or associating with any other playing or social member due to possible alcohol or other drug use should consult with the President of The Mandurah Mustangs Football and Netball Club immediately.

What we ask you to do

All members and sporting personnel are required to comply with the following.

- Do not sell or take illegal drugs at the club, club functions, events and trips.
- Do not encourage others to sell or take illegal drugs.

Therefore, the Mandurah Mustangs Football and Netball Club reserves the right to take action if a member is:

- Affected by drugs, to endanger their own safety or the safety of any other person during or in the course of a match.
- If found in the possession of drugs or unauthorised drug use equipment on the Club premises.
- Affected by drugs, so that the member's performance is affected.
- Refer the player to appropriate health provider to address the misuse or abuse of illicit substances.

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Non-Compliance

Should the use of illegal drugs be brought to the attention any of the The Mandurah Mustangs Football and Netball Club Committee members or coaching staff, The Mandurah Mustangs Football and Netball Club will take the following action, enacted by any member of the Committee after an appropriate and confidential discussion:

- Immediately approach the member to discuss the issue and its implications.
- Suspend the player/member from the club where appropriate until the matter is resolved to the satisfaction of the executive committee.
- Remove the member from club functions if they pose a risk to themselves or others.
- Immediately contact emergency services if there is suspicion of a drug overdose at any club function
- Counsel the player internally regarding their use of drugs.
- Refer the player to appropriate organisations to address the misuse or abuse of illicit substances.

In general, and depending on any other rules of the club, should an individual(s) continue non-compliance with this policy, the following should occur:

- Suspension for a designated time period.
- Expulsion from the club.

Contact numbers

Headspace Mandurah

10c 327 Mandurah Terrace, Mandurah, Western Australia 6210 (08) 9544 5900

Alcohol Drug Support line (24-hour information and counselling) Ph 9442 5000

Phone: (08) 9442 5000

Country callers: 1800 198 024

Email: alcoholdrugsupport@mhc.wa.gov.au

Mental Health Commission

https://www.mhc.wa.gov.au/about-uservices/alcohol-and-drug-support-service/

- Emergency Services: call 000 for ambulance or police attendance in an emergency
- Police: call 131 444 for police attendance (not an emergency)

POLICY REVIEW

This Policy will be reviewed annually to ensure it remains relevant, practical and that it reflects community expectations and legal requirements.

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