

Santa Clara University

Club Sports: Conduct Guidelines

*** Required**

*Club Sport: _____

This form must be submitted before the first club sport activity

Club Sports teams should add to the positive image of Santa Clara University and therefore any behavior that serves otherwise will be handled appropriately. Team officers and coaches are accountable for the behavior of all members and should serve as role models for appropriate behavior. To encourage and ensure proper conduct, officers must be diligent in passing along information from the Club Sports program to all team members.

It is the responsibility of each individual team member and coach to understand the policies and procedures put forth in the Club Sports Handbook and the Santa Clara University Student Handbook. The Assistant Director of Recreation will investigate any complaints from inside or outside the Santa Clara community. Failure to abide by these guidelines or report any incidences to the Assistant Director of Recreation or Student Coordinator may result in disciplinary action by the Campus Recreation program and/or the Office of Student Life. * (Initials _____)

BEHAVIORAL GUIDELINES

As a participating student in the Club Sports program, **I agree to abide by the following:**

- Maintain contact and communication with the Assistant Director of Recreation
- Be responsible for myself and team members and act professionally at all Club Sports activities
- Model the spirit of sportsmanship by respecting teammates, opponents, coaches, and officials
- Comply with all rules and regulations set forth by Santa Clara University, the Department of Athletics and Recreation, the national governing organization, the league, and the NCAA
- Show respect for Santa Clara University facilities and any other host facilities used for club activities

Behaviors that may result in **disciplinary actions** include, but are *NOT limited* to:

- Written or verbal complaints regarding individual and/or team behavior
- Damage to equipment or property while on campus or during travel
- Participation by players not on approved team rosters
- Missed attendance at required meetings
- Failure to report incidents or failure to turn in required forms, etc.
- Any participation in hazing

* (Initials _____)

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

As students of Santa Clara University, you are a student first and a club member second. Academics are the first priority and club members need to abide by the Academic Integrity Policy located in the University Bulletin and Student Handbook. Also, students must maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.00 in order to be eligible for participation on a Club Sport team. * (Initials _____)

ALCOHOL, DRUGS AND/OR ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES

Club Sports members are required to be drug and alcohol free while representing the Club Sports program whether at a practice, competition, event, or function. Using team funds for the purchase of alcoholic beverages is prohibited. All illegal actions that occur while representing a club team will result in disciplinary action. * (Initials _____)

HAZING

Hazing, harassing, threatening, degrading language or actions, or any practice by a group or individual that degrades a student or employee, endangers health, jeopardizes personal safety, or interferes with an employee's duties or with a student's class attendance or a person's educational pursuits is **STRICTLY PROHIBITED**. Voluntary participation in initiation activities and other traditions still constitutes hazing. No Club Sports member shall engage or participate in any form of hazing. * (Initials _____)

TRAVEL

Teams represent Santa Clara University both at home and when traveling. When traveling, it is expected that team members behave appropriately and respectfully. The Student Conduct Code is applicable on and off campus. * (Initials _____)

I understand that my actions may affect my ability to participate in any activities associated with the Club Sports Program, and if I do not adhere to the following guidelines, disciplinary actions may occur. I have read and understand the above Conduct Guidelines, and with my signature agree to abide by its contents.

*Print Name

*Signature

*Date