



URANGAN STATE HIGH SCHOOL

SPORTS REPRESENTATION POLICY

1.1 PURPOSE

To represent Urangan State High School in sport at any level of school sport is a privilege, not a right. The purposes of this policy are to ensure:

- The behaviour of students selected as sporting representatives of Urangan State High School is of a high standard.
- Staff assisting/supervising school sporting representatives will have a set of procedures consistent with the ethos of the Managing School Behaviour Policy employed at Urangan State High School which they may implement should the necessity arise.
- Students are aware of the school's expectations concerning their behaviour while representing the school in sport as well as the consequences of choosing not to adhere to these expectations.

It is important that staff assisting/supervising sporting representatives ensure this policy is discussed with and understood by all students participating in representative sport.

1.2 EXPECTATIONS PRIOR TO REPRESENTING URANGAN STATE HIGH IN SPORT

- The behaviour/s exhibited within the school community **prior** to representation, should clearly signify the student's capacity to represent Urangan SHS in a wider sporting context to an acceptable standard. Failure to demonstrate these capacities may lead to the **withdrawal** of the student from representative situations.
- To assist in keeping costs as low as possible for Urangan SHS sporting representatives and in the administrative requirements of the school, it is policy that all forms and payments (and/or payment arrangements) relevant to the sporting activity be given in to the school **2 WORKING DAYS BEFORE THE DEPARTURE/COMPETITION DATE**.
- Exceptional circumstances that do not allow for this payment deadline to be met must be negotiated with HOD Sport
- If this is not done by this time, the student will not be permitted to participate in that sporting competition/trip.
- **ALL** students representing Urangan SHS are required to travel as a team when bus transport is provided

1.3 EXPECTATIONS OF URANGAN STATE HIGH SPORTING REPRESENTATIVES

- Compete by the competition conditions and rules
- Never argue with a decision of a referee, umpire or judge
- Control your temper. No criticism of an official (referee, coach, manager, trainer etc.). Using obscene language will not be tolerated while a member of the team or wearing the school uniform/sporting apparel (eg. in a school jersey while spectating etc.)
- Cooperate with your coaches, supervising teachers and officials and treat these people and your opponents with respect.
- Smoking, drinking of alcoholic beverages or the taking of non-prescribed drugs as a member of the team is strictly forbidden
- Full school uniform must be worn when travelling as a team member (eg. on a bus trip)

1.4 HIGHER REPRESENTATION EXPECTATIONS

- Students who achieve higher representation (eg. Fraser District, Wide Bay, Queensland) but do not comply with the expectations mentioned above (and those required by the Regional Sports Office) will still have to undergo consequences at a school level via the Principal.
- Students selected for Fraser District representative teams to participate in Wide Bay Selection trials are required to have all forms and payments (and/or payment arrangements) relevant to the sporting activity be given to the school **4 WORKING DAYS BEFORE THE DEPARTURE/COMPETITION DATE**. Failure to do so would indicate a lack of commitment to their selection and the school will notify the Fraser District Secondary School Sports Management Committee of the student's withdrawal.

1.5 CONSEQUENCES

Should a student choose to not follow any of the expectations mentioned above:

- Minor indiscretions will be addressed by the staff member in charge of the sport and may require the intervention of the Head of Department (HOD) HPE/Sport.
- Major indiscretions will be referred immediately to the HOD HPE/Sport and dealt with in accordance with Urangan SHS's Managing Student Behaviour (MSB) Policy. Depending on the seriousness of the misbehaviour/breach of expectations, the school may decide further action should be taken regarding the matter
- The student must earn back his/her privilege of representing the school in sport and this must be done at the discretion of the Principal and HOD – HPE/SPORT.

1.6 SPECTATOR POLICY (SCHOOL STUDENTS)

- Smoking, drinking of alcoholic beverages or the taking of non-prescribed drugs is strictly forbidden.
- Students in attendance at games where Urangan SHS are represented are considered representatives of our school community and therefore will be accountable within our school's MSB policy if necessary.
- All officials, teachers, coaches and opposing players, parents and spectators are to be treated with respect and courtesy. No abusive behaviour towards such people will be tolerated.