



Section 2 – Club Code of Conduct

Lagan Warrior Paddlers

It is the policy of: **Lagan Warrior Paddlers Club** (“the Club”) that all paddlers, volunteers, coaches, leader, instructors and parents show respect and understanding for each other and conduct themselves in a way that reflects the principles of the Club. The aim is for all paddlers to improve performance and have fun in a safe and supportive environment.

Everyone involved in the Club should abide by the Club Rules and Policies.

Paddlers

- Take care of all property belonging to the Club or Club members.
- Treat other Club members, volunteers, referees, competition officials, coaches, leader, instructors and parents with respect at all times — on and off the water — treat other paddlers as you would want to be treated yourself.
- Control tempers and avoid behaviour which may affect or upset others.
- Co-operate and listen to your coaches, leader, instructors or the Club officials.
- Follow Paddle NI, ICF canoe polo rules and the Club guidelines and policies.

Club Officials, coaches, leaders, instructors and Volunteers

- Consider the wellbeing and safety of paddlers before the development of performance.
- Develop an appropriate working relationship with paddlers, based on mutual trust and respect.
- Make sure all activities are appropriate to the age, ability and experience of those taking part.
- Display consistently high standards of behaviour and appearance.
- Follow Paddle NI and the Club guidelines and policies.
- Hold the appropriate, up-dated qualifications and insurance.
- Encourage paddlers to value their performance and not just results.
- Never condone the use of prohibited substances.

Parents/Carers

- Help your child to recognise good performance, not just results.
- Never force your child to take part in sport.
- Never punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes.
- Publicly accept official's judgements.
- Support your child's involvement and help them to enjoy the sport.
- Use correct and proper language at all times.
- Set a good example by applauding good performances of all paddlers.
- Show respect to all coaches, leader, instructors, volunteers, parents, children and other paddlers at all times.