

Auckland Diving Community Trust

Disciplinary Procedure

The Auckland Diving Community Trust is committed to maintaining a safe, respectful, and supportive environment for all members, staff, volunteers, and stakeholders. This procedure outlines how the Trust addresses behaviours or actions that do not meet the standards set out in the **Auckland Diving Community Trust - Code of Conduct**, policies, or rules.

1. Scope

This procedure applies to all members, coaches, volunteers, staff, and individuals representing Auckland Diving. It is intended to address breaches of the **Auckland Diving Community Trust Code of Conduct** and any related policies or rules.

2. Stages of the Procedure

Stage 1: Formal Verbal Warning

- Where behaviour does not meet the Auckland Diving Community Trust Code of Conduct, a formal verbal warning may be issued.
- The warning will:
 - Identify the behaviour or issue of concern.
 - Clarify the improvement required.
 - Be recorded in writing and kept on file for reference.

Stage 2: Formal Written Warning

- If the issue persists, or in cases of more serious breaches of the Code of Conduct, a formal written warning will be issued.
- The written warning will:



- o Detail the nature of the misconduct or breach.
- Outline the required corrective actions.
- State the potential consequences if the issue is not resolved (including possible expulsion).
- A copy of the warning will be provided to the individual and retained by the ADCT.

Stage 3: Potential Expulsion

Where behaviour continues to fall short of the **Auckland Diving Community Trust - Code of Conduct**, or in cases of gross misconduct, ADCT may initiate proceedings for expulsion.

3. Gross Misconduct

Certain behaviours that seriously breach the **Auckland Diving Community Trust - Code of Conduct** may justify bypassing earlier stages of this procedure and moving directly to potential expulsion. Examples include (but are not limited to):

- Physical violence or threats of violence.
- Harassment, bullying, or discrimination.
- Serious breach of safety rules or conduct endangering others.
- Theft, fraud, or dishonesty.
- Bringing ADCT into serious disrepute.

4. Record Keeping

All disciplinary actions will be documented, stored securely, and retained for a reasonable period in accordance with privacy laws.