

## **Surf Casting and Angling Club of WA (Inc.)**

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## Policy on unaccompanied juniors at Club events

The Club encourages junior and mini junior members and their involvement at Club events, preferably as part of a family membership including parents.

Due to the potential for problems and possible misunderstandings when adults interact with unrelated children, the Club's policy on unaccompanied juniors will be:

Individual juniors may become club members, requiring nomination and acceptance.

Unaccompanied juniors may not attend club events, except in special circumstances and under conditions approved in advance by the Committee.

Parents or guardians are encouraged to be involved in Club activities with their children as a family.

Parents or guardians shall take full responsibility for arranging and monitoring their children's involvement in any Club activity.

Parents or guardians may arrange and give permission for a relative or unrelated friend to take responsibility for their children's involvement.

The Club shall be notified in writing of any such arrangement where the unrelated friend is a member of the Club.

Individual Club members shall not be alone with unrelated children.

Club members shall not provide transport for unrelated junior or mini junior members to Club events, or accommodation on overnight venues.

At all times, Club members shall follow all socially acceptable standards and laws for interacting with children.

Subject to this policy, any Club member may demonstrate to, advise or help a junior member during a Club event.

Mini junior members are under 12 years old, and Junior members are under 16 years old at the start of the Club's competition year on 1 May each year.

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