

Pirate Games Participation Policy



The following are the Official Rules for the Pirate Games hosted by the Pirates of Port Adelaide.

All participants must agree to the following Pirate Rules as part of the registration process for the Pirate Games. Violation of any of the following Pirate Rules will result in disqualification and physical removal from the Pirate Games. In certain circumstances of significant abuse, neglect, or disregard for the official Pirate Rules a competitor who violates these rules may be barred from all future participation in any Pirates of Port Adelaide Games events. Such action is at the discretion of the Pirates of Port Adelaide.

There will be no exceptions to these rules.

PIRATE RULES

1. **Leave No Trace** – The Port River is a natural environment and home to some of the most urbanised dolphins in the world. A pod of about thirty dolphins makes the river estuary its home and as many as 200 dolphins visit each year. As such any misuse of our river and this habitat will not be tolerated. DO NOT litter, pollute, or otherwise harm our water or land, in any way.
2. **Courteous and Respectful Behaviour** - Mistreatment of Pirate Games volunteers, other participants, or spectators will not be tolerated and will result in disqualification.
3. **Pirating** - Only registered team members will be allowed on the course. Unofficial participants or "pirates" do so at their own risk. (Pirating may result in humiliation and walking the plank).
4. **Check Station Protocol** - All nominated team members must report to every check-in station. This is to ensure that everyone is accounted for and that everyone completes the full distance of each event. If a team member does not comply s/he may have to walk the plank.
5. **Smoking** - Pirates do not smoke, period.
6. **Pets** - No pets are allowed to participate in the Pirate Games. This includes dogs on or off leash, parrots and dolphins.
7. **Safety**
 - All team members **MUST** be available and present for a full safety briefing prior to the commencement of the Pirate Games on **Saturday 15 September 2018 at 10.30am**.
 - All participants must supply and wear an Australian Standards PFD1 (Personal Flotation Device Number 1) approved buoyancy vest. No life jackets may be used due to the dangers of restricted movement or difficulties in exiting the water.
 - All participants must wear footwear such as sneakers or runners, preferably with rubbersoles, but not any footwear that when filled with water may increase the difficulty of treading water, for example gumboots or any excessively loose footwear.
 - Clothing that restricts the ability to swim or exit the river is not permitted. For example, the wearing of heavy coats, hoods or peg-legs would be inappropriate.
 - All participants must complete the Indemnity and Release Form.
 - If, in the opinion of the Pirates of Port Adelaide, any weather conditions that may expose participants or any other persons to significant safety risks, the Pirate Games may be postponed or cancelled without notice.