

Committee Code

This Code of Practice sets standards for the Perth Bushwalkers Club (Inc) management committee, and may be revised from time to time by the committee after appropriate consultation with the members.

1. Committee members should familiarise themselves with the club's constitution, which is registered with the Department of Consumer and Employment Protection as the "Rules of Perth Bushwalkers Club (Inc)". The mechanism for alteration is laid down in the Rules.
2. The club constitution gives the committee responsibility for management of the club. This management includes the day to day running to meet the objects of the club, as well as ensuring the longer term viability of the club.
3. As the club is incorporated under the Associations Incorporations Act (1987) there are statutory requirements with which the club must comply. Committee members should be aware of these and ensure they keep the club operating within the requirements of the Act. There are helpful guidelines available from the Department of Consumer and Employment Protection.
4. The club's standard and agreed operating practices are listed in the Club Codes and Policies. The committee should uphold and develop these practices to ensure clarity, consistency and transparency in managing club affairs. Alterations to these Codes and Policies should only be made after suitable deliberation and consultation.
5. The Committee must ensure the club and its members adequately address the risk (which is inherent in active pastimes) by practicing good risk management, and encouraging leaders and members to develop resources and skills to ensure activities are conducted in a safe manner. The Australian/New Zealand Standard 4360:1999 provides guidelines.
6. The Committee must ensure the Club is adequately protected against loss by practicing due diligence in conduct, insurance and utilising good management principles.
7. The Club generally has 2 or 3 representatives to the Federation of Western Australian Bushwalkers. They are elected at the AGM for the following 12 months. These representatives shall make themselves aware of the Federation's charter and must keep the committee informed of issues being attended to by the Federation.