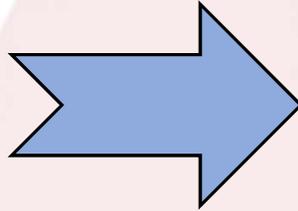




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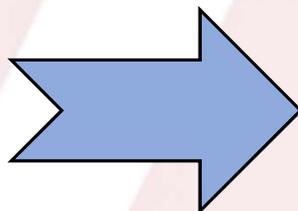
- The Surfer's Code : Give Respect to Gain Respect
- Understand the 10 Surf Etiquette so that all can enjoy our break, safely.



- Know and Surf within your abilities
- Paddle out with Caution
- Understand Priority
- Do not Drop in on other surfers or others enjoying the wave
- Know your equipment
- Know the Beach / Break
- Respect the Beach / Break
- Apologize if you Messed up!
- Be polite and smile
- Forgive and Forget

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1. Know and Surf within your abilities



- **Know and Surf within your abilities**

- Understand your own abilities in the water. How good can you swim or surf? Humbly accepting them could save your life. If you're still learning and you paddle out too far and get caught in a rip current or fell off a wave, you run a high risk of injuring yourself and endangering those around you.

- **Paddle out with Caution**

- When paddling out at a crowded lineup, the paddler yields to the riding surfer. (That means, the paddler has to paddle away from the riding surfer)
- This also means that if your paddling trajectory has you colliding with a surfer who is riding down the line of a wave, it is **your responsibility** to yield and move away from that surfer, not the other way around.

2. Paddle out with Caution

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3. Understand Priority

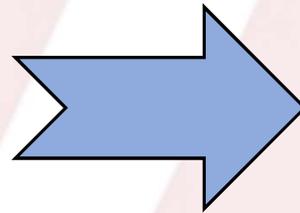


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Don't drop in

Surfer A is nearer the shoulder and has right of way. B must give way to A.

■ If B does catch the wave he/she is "dropping-in" on surfer A.



- **Understand Priority**

- The surfer who is closest to the curl, the peak or the breaking part of the wave has the right of way and priority over all other surfers.

- The surfer who is farther outside and away from the shore has priority over all other surfers sitting or paddling on the inside, even if closer to breaking part of the wave. *(However, this does not mean that other water craftsmen on SUP, Kayak or outrigger canoes should get greedy and get all the set waves. Use common sense and share the waves.)*

4. Do not Drop in on other surfers or others

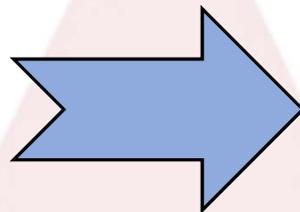
- **Do not Drop in on other surfers or others enjoying the wave**
- Understanding priority. If someone inside is paddling for a wave, then you shouldn't even try to paddle for it.
- Being a snake – No 'snaking'. Look to your left and right to ensure no one is riding down the line that you might be dropping on at another peak.

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5. Know your equipment

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- Most surf injuries are not caused by the seafloor, or wildlife, they are caused by surfboards and other water craft. Some are solid and have sharp fins.
- Be responsible and think of others. Don't just let go of your board when there are others around you. Don't abandon your board especially after a wipeout.
- Wear a leash.



5. Know the Beach / Break

- Take a while to watch the beach and the waves. Notice where they are breaking, where the channels are, where and what the current or rip tide is doing.
- Get to know the beach, the wildlife. The sea is their home, we are just visitors.

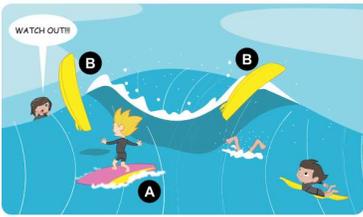
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Never throw your board
Surfer B has fallen off the board and let go.

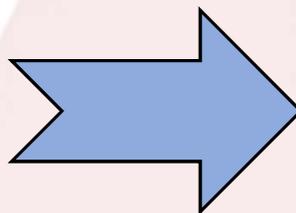
- Always hold onto your board so that it does not hit others causing serious injury



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7. Respect the Beach / Break



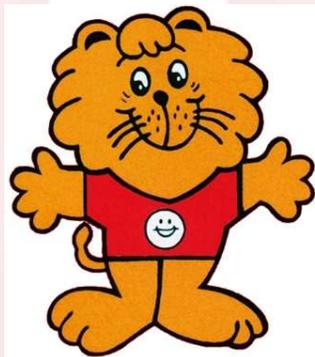
- **Respect the Beach / Break**
 - Please do not litter, do not leave anything behind.
 - Take it a step further and pick up any litter you might encounter.
 - We love our local spot, and let's do everything we can to keep it beautiful.

8. Apologize if you Messed up!

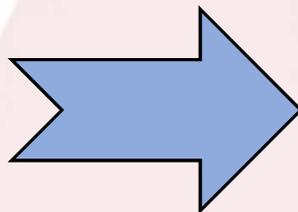
- **Apologize if you Messed up!**
 - Well, we get it, accidents do happen. You messed up, it is okay. Apologize.
 - Make amends and make your intentions clear. It can go a long way in a crowded lineup.

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9. Be polite and smile



- **Be polite and smile**
 - Be polite, smile, and say hello. It will bring a feeling of high spiritedness to everyone around you and the good graces of other local surfers.
 - As Singa the Lion says, *'Courtesy is for you and Me.'*



10. Forgive and Forget

- **Forgive and Forget**
 - Lastly, if someone else in the water wrongs you, if they burn you, drop in on you, or send a board flying at you, forgive and forget. Move on. Life is too short to waste it on grievances.