

# Risk Warning

## (Under Section 5M of Civil Liability Act 2002)

### ON BEHALF OF QUEENWOOD SCHOOL AND AHIGS: SPORTING ACTIVITIES 2024

Queenwood School ("Queenwood") organises many individual and team sporting activities during the course of a year. Some of these are organised in conjunction with IGSA Sport, a sub-committee of the Association of Heads of Independent Girls' Schools NSW (AHIGS), now trading as IGSA. Students participating in these sporting activities take part in practice and in competitions.

Queenwood and IGSA Sport expect students to take responsibility for their own safety by wearing compulsory safety equipment, by thinking carefully about the use of safety equipment that is highly recommended and by behaving in a safe and responsible manner towards team members, opponents, spectators, officials, property and grounds.

Queenwood and IGSA Sport also expect parents, spectators and other participants to behave in a safe and responsible manner, to comply with the Codes of Conduct and to set a good example for the girls.

While Queenwood and IGSA Sport take measures to make the sporting activities as safe as reasonably possible for participants, there is a risk that students can be injured and suffer loss (including financial loss) and damage as a result of their participation in these sporting activities, whether at training or in actual events.

Such injury can occur while the student is engaging in or watching a sporting activity, or travelling to and from the event. The injury may result from a student's actions, the actions of others, the state of the premises or equipment failure.

On some occasions, an injury can be serious (such as torn ligaments, dislocations, back injuries, concussion or broken bones). In very rare cases an injury can be life threatening or result in permanent disability. If a student has a pre-existing injury, participating in a sporting activity could result in an exacerbation of that injury.

Students could also suffer loss as a result of their personal property being lost, stolen, damaged or destroyed.