



WEST YORKSHIRE SPORT CODE OF CONDUCT

Participants

- Always play by the rules
- Never argue with an official. If you disagree, have your captain, coach or manager approach the official during a break or after the competition
- Control your temper. Verbal and physical abuse is not acceptable in life and in sport
- Work equally hard for yourself and/or your team. Your team's performance will benefit and so will you
- Treat all participants in your sport as you would like to be treated. Do not bully or take unfair advantage of another competitor
- Support your coach, manager, team-mates and opponents. Without them, there would be no competition
- Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please your parents and coaches
- Respect all of your fellow participants
- Do not leave the playing/training venue unless the coach or manager is aware
- Remember, it is your responsibility to always be on time and prepared for all activities
- Always take time to thank all those who help you take part in your chosen sport/activity

Sanctions for Breaches of the Code

If a participant breaches the above code of conduct the following sanctions will be employed:

In the case of a minor breach e.g. lack of positivity or supportive behaviour:

- the participant will be asked and encouraged to behave in a more appropriate manner by the event staff supervising them
- the participant will be reminded of the Code of Conduct which they have agreed to abide by for the event

In the case of a major breach e.g. discriminatory, offensive and violent behaviour:

- the participant will be removed from their role within the event
- if behaviour shown is in breach of the law then the police will be called and the matter handled by them
- if the participant is over 18 years they will be asked to leave the event immediately
- participants of age 16-18 will be removed from their role within the event and should report to the event volunteer co-ordinator
- the event volunteer co-ordinator will contact the adult contact listed on the participants registration form as soon as possible and agree transport arrangements for the young person to leave the event
- the participants school or club will be contacted following any such incident and will follow their own disciplinary procedure as appropriate