



## CODE OF CONDUCT ATHLETE

Special Olympics is committed to the highest ideals of sport and expects all athletes to honor sport and Special Olympics and are required to abide by the following Code of Conduct:

### **Respect for Others**

- I will practice good sportsmanship.
- I will act in ways that bring respect to me, my coaches, my team and Special Olympics.
- I will be safe and courteous to others.

### **Positive Training and Competition Behaviors**

- I will regularly attend training for my sport.
- I will be on time for any training or competition.
- I will learn and follow the rules of my sport.
- I will listen and follow the instructions of my coaches and the officials and ask questions when I do not understand.
- I will always try my best during training and at competitions.
- I will not "hold back" in preliminary competition just to get into an easier final competition division.
- I will fully participate as a member of my Team including traveling and staying with overnight with my Team.

### **Taking Responsibility For My Actions**

- I will obey all laws and Special Olympics rules
- I will only smoke in designated areas and not while participating in a Special Olympics training or competition.
- I will not drink alcohol or use illegal drugs at Special Olympics events.
- I will not use bad language or insult other athletes, coaches, volunteers or staff.
- I will not fight with other athletes, coaches, volunteers or staff.
- I will not make inappropriate or unwanted sexual advances to others.
- I will follow the Special Olympics policy that says athletes cannot date volunteers.

I understand that if I do not obey this Code of Conduct, I will be subject to a range of consequences by Special Olympics up to and including not being allowed to participate.

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Print Name of Athlete or Parent/Guardian Date

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Signature of Athlete or Parent/Guardian Date