

BC WHEELCHAIR SPORTS ASSOCIATION

ATHLETE AGREEMENT & CODE OF CONDUCT



CODE OF CONDUCT:

- 1.0 Athletes are ambassadors of BC Wheelchair Sports and shall maintain high standards of moral and ethical conduct which includes self control and responsible behaviour, and consideration for others' physical and emotional well being.
- 2.0 Athletes shall treat others with respect and expect to be treated with respect in return.
- 3.0 Athletes must uphold the standards of Fairplay, and exhibit a high level of sportsmanship and team spirit.
- 4.0 Athletes shall refrain from the use of profane, insulting, harassing or otherwise offensive language
- 5.0 Athletes shall abide by the Policies and Procedures of the BC Wheelchair Sports Association as presented in the association's policy and procedure manual.
- 6.0 Athletes shall dress in the appropriate attire at all times, as directed by the Team Manager, and in keeping with the policies of BC Wheelchair Sports. Athletes shall maintain high personal hygiene standards.
- 7.0 Athletes are required to abide by curfew set by management staff and/or host organizing committee.
- 8.0 Any Athlete committing an act which is considered an offense under the law will be dealt with by the appropriate authorities.
- 9.0 All athletes shall agree that:
 - 9.1 They shall not possess or use any illegal drugs, excluding prescribed medical drugs which shall be registered with the appropriate official prior to the event. The use of performance enhancing drugs is strictly banned.
 - 9.2 Athletes under the age of 19 will not possess or use alcohol or tobacco in any form during the event or at any social activities connected with the event.
 - 9.3 Athletes 19 years and over will not possess or use alcohol in any form within the immediate area of an event, or competition site, and not in excess in the residence. Athletes will not supply alcohol to minors.
 - 9.4 Tobacco smoking for athletes over the age of 19 is strongly discouraged, and will only be allowed in designated smoking areas.
 - 9.5 Any willful damage to hotel rooms or other property shall be assessed to the account of the athlete(s) involved.
 - 9.6 All team members must recognize that the Team Manager is responsible for the Team and its actions, and they must adhere to guidelines set down by the Team Manager.

A breach of any part of this code of conduct is sufficient grounds for an athlete to be withdrawn from an event and to be sent home at his/her own expense, and/or result in removal from the Financial Assistance Program. Athletes are subject to the disciplinary policies and procedures of the BC Wheelchair Sports Association as presented the association's Policy and Procedures Manual.

I have read and understand the above statements and agree to conduct myself in a manner that demonstrates the standards established in the *Athlete Agreement and Code of Conduct*.

Athlete's Signature

Parent/Guardian (if under the age of 19 yrs)

Date

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