

Special Olympics Athlete & Unified Partner's Code of Conduct

Special Olympics is committed to the highest ideals of sport and expects all athletes/unified partners to honour sports and Special Olympics. All Special Olympics athletes and Unified Sports® Partners agree to the following code:

Sportsmanship

- I will practice good sportsmanship
- I will act in ways that bring respect to me, my coaches, my team and Special Olympics
- I will not use bad language
- I will not swear or insult other persons
- I will not fight with other athletes, coaches, volunteers, or staff

Training and Competition

- I will train regularly
- I will learn and follow the rules of my sport
- I will listen to my coaches and the officials and ask questions when I do not understand
- I will always try my best during training, divisioning and competitions
- I will not "hold back" in preliminary competition just to get into an easier finals competition division

Responsibility for my Actions

- I will not make inappropriate or unwanted physical, verbal, or sexual advances on others
- I will not smoke in non-smoking areas
- I will not drink alcohol, or use illegal drugs at Special Olympics events
- I will not take drugs for the purpose of improving my performance
- I will obey all laws and Special Olympics rules, the International Federation and the National Federation/Governing Body rules for my sport(s)

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

Signature of **Adult Athlete or Unified Partner**

Date

Witness Signature (not required for unified partners)

I hereby certify that I have reviewed this Code of Conduct with the athlete whose signature appears above, I am satisfied, based on that review, that the athlete understands this release and has agreed to its terms.

Name (print): _____

Signature: _____

Relationship to Athlete: _____

Date: _____

To be completed by **parent/guardian** of a **minor athlete/unified partner**
(A minor athlete/unified partner is under the age of 18)

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Date: _____