



## Parent/Guardians' Code of Conduct

### Statement

It is the intention of this Code of Conduct to promote respect and fairness in all Ontario Equestrian athlete development program activities. It is the expectation of the Ontario Equestrian's Board of Directors and membership (rider members and fellow parents/guardians) that all parents/guardians will adhere to the Code of Conduct set out below at all times while engaged in any Ontario Equestrian activity to respect and promote the sport in a fair and positive context.

### Standards to which each parent will adhere:

I will remember that participants are involved in sport for their own enjoyment, not mine. Winning is not the only goal; riders are looking to have fun, improve skills and develop life skills that will benefit them in all their future endeavors both in and out of the arena.

I will not use bad language, nor will I harass riders, coaches, stewards, officials or other spectators. I shall refrain from comments or behaviours which are disrespectful, offensive, abusive, racist or sexist, homophobic, or transphobic. I commit to adhering to all Ontario Equestrian Policies and Procedures as well as adhering to any policies of any host facilities.

I will insist that the riders participate in a safe and healthy environment. I will encourage, support and adhere to a sport environment that is zero tolerance of alcohol and/or drugs and I will refrain from their use at all Ontario Equestrian events. I commit to reporting all improper use of alcohol and/or drugs to the appropriate authorities.

I will respect and show appreciation for the coaches, stewards, officials and administrators, both volunteer and paid, who give their time to support the Equine sport and I will encourage open communication with them at all times. I will support my rider in respecting reasonable requests from coaches including meeting their responsibilities and punctuality.

I will support all efforts to remove any form of abuse, both verbal and physical, along with bullying and harassment from sport. I commit to reporting any form of abuse, bullying or harassment immediately to Coaches, Ontario Equestrian staff and when applicable to the Police. In turn I will, at no time, verbally or physically threaten, intimidate or be abusive in any manner to any member, coach, other rider, Steward, official or administrator.

Failure to comply with this Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action, including, but not limited to, the loss, or suspension of, certain or all privileges connected with Ontario Equestrian and associated host facilities. Such discipline may include the removal or ban from a facility, event, clinic, competition and other related activities for parent/guardian and/or participant.

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Parent/Guardian Name and Signature:

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Parent/Guardian Name and Signature:

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Date:

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