



Special Olympics North Carolina Athlete Code of Conduct

All Special Olympics athletes are expected to abide by the following code of conduct:

Sportsmanship

Every Special Olympics athlete shall:

- practice good sportsmanship.
- act respectfully to other athletes, coaches, volunteers and spectators.
- not use bad language, swear or insult other persons.
- not fight with other athletes, coaches, volunteers or staff.

Training and Competition

Every Special Olympics athlete shall:

- train regularly as determined by the coach.
- learn and follow the rules of his/her sport.
- listen to the coaches and officials and ask questions when necessary.
- always try the best when training, divisioning and competing.
- give my honest effort in all competitions.

Responsibility for Actions

Every Special Olympics athlete shall:

- not make inappropriate or unwanted physical, verbal, or sexual advances on others.
- not smoke in non-smoking areas.
- not drink alcohol, use illegal drugs or possess weapons at Special Olympics functions/events.
- not take drugs for the purpose of improving one's performance.
- obey all laws and Special Olympics rules and policies.

Code of Conduct Violations

If a Special Olympics athlete violates any part of the code of conduct, Special Olympics may impose disciplinary actions that could include, but not be limited to, the following:.

- Verbal warning by officials, coaches, and/or County, Area, State personnel,
- Game suspension with written documentation of incident kept on file in the Local Program, Region and SONC State Office,
- Written warning,
- Season suspension.

Athlete Name

Athlete Signature

Date

Local Coordinator Name

Coordinator Signature

Date