



SPECIAL OLYMPICS KENTUCKY ATHLETE CODE OF CONDUCT

Participation in SO Kentucky is both an honor and a privilege. Special Olympics Kentucky is committed to the highest ideals of sport and expects all athletes to honor sport and the mission and vision of Special Olympics. All Special Olympics Kentucky 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 & Competitions

- 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 competitions 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 consume nor have in my possession alcohol and/or illegal drugs while representing Special Olympics Kentucky at training sessions or during competition.
- I will not take drugs for the purpose of improving my performance.
- I will obey all laws and Special Olympics Kentucky 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 my Program or a Games Organizing Committee, up to and including not being allowed to participate.

Name

**Athlete or Unified Sports
Partner (Circle Role)**

Date