



Code of Conduct for Players

The essence of good ethical conduct and practice is summarised below. All players must:

- Take responsibility in ensuring you are up to date with the rules, understand and adhere to them.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of age, gender, ability, race, cultural background, religious beliefs or sexual identity.
- Recognise the valuable contribution made by coaches and officials who are usually volunteers.
- Respect officials and publicly accept their decisions.
- Be a positive role model and treat other players, officials and coaches as you would expect others to treat you (follow the [Judo Code](#)).
- Use correct and proper language at all times.
- Not smoke, consume alcohol or drugs whilst representing the club.
- Keep to agreed timings for training and competitions or inform your coaches if you are going to be late.
- Wear suitable judogi and club kit for training and events, as agreed with your coaches.
- Pay any fees for training or events promptly and ensure that your BJA membership is valid.
- Encourage everyone to enjoy sport and understand that people have different motivations for taking part; bullying of any sort will not be tolerated.
- Inform your coach of any other coaching that you are seeking or receiving and any of events that you are planning to attend.

Code of Conduct for Parents / Carers

The essence of good ethical conduct and practice is summarised below. All Parents/Carers must:

- Support your child's involvement and help them to enjoy their judo; remember they are involved in judo for their enjoyment not yours.
- Focus on the process not just results; help your child to recognise good performances.
- Avoid pressuring a child about winning or losing; applaud effort and hard work as well as success.
- Help your child to separate sport failure from personal failure.
- Give your child the freedom to problem solve and make their own decisions.
- Never force your child to take part in judo; allow them to play for themselves.
- Encourage your child to take responsibility for their decisions.
- Support and not interfere with the coaching; follow the club programme.
- Keep talking and general noise to a minimum during training sessions.
- Not constantly instruct your child during training sessions or at events.
- Encourage your child to learn the rules and play within them.
- Discourage unfair play and arguing with officials; publicly accept officials' judgements.
- Set a good example by recognising fair play and applauding the good performances of all.
- Respect other parents, players, coaches, referees and officials; use correct and proper language at all times.
- Watch what you say to your child; never punish or belittle them for losing or making mistakes.
- Ensure that no child under the age of 12yrs is left without a responsible adult present at training sessions or at events.

Code of Conduct for Club Officials, Referees & Volunteers

The essence of good ethical conduct and practice is summarised below. All Officials, Referees and Volunteers must:

- Consider the wellbeing and safety of participants before the development of performance.
- Develop an appropriate working relationship with performers, based on mutual trust and respect.
- Make sure all activities are appropriate to the age, ability and experience of those taking part.
- Promote the positive aspects of judo
- Display consistently high standards of behaviour and appearance.
- Follow all guidelines laid down by the national governing body and the club.
- Hold the appropriate, valid qualifications and insurance cover.
- Never exert undue influence over performers to obtain personal benefit or reward.
- Never condone rule violations, rough play or the use of prohibited substances.
- Encourage performers to value their performances and not just results.

Code of Conduct for Coaches

The essence of good ethical conduct and practice is summarised below. All Coaches must:

- Consider the wellbeing and safety of participants before the development of performance.
- Develop an appropriate working relationship with performers, based on mutual trust and respect.
- Make sure all activities are appropriate to the age, ability and experience of those taking part.
- Promote the positive aspects of judo
- Display consistently high standards of behaviour and appearance.
- Follow all guidelines laid down by the national governing body and the club.
- Hold the appropriate, valid qualifications and insurance cover.
- Never exert undue influence over performers to obtain personal benefit or reward.
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- Encourage performers to value their performances and not just results.

Responsibilities of a Coach include ensuring the welfare of their players. In order to help Coaches in doing this, the BJA require all new Coaches to understand and abide by the [BJA Code of Conduct and Ethics](#).