

Showjumping Ireland

CODE OF CONDUCT

(Youths & Vulnerable Persons)



This Code of Conduct is issued in conjunction with the National Rules of Showjumping Ireland (SJI) and applies to all Activities regarding a participant's involvement with SJI including but not limited to training session/clinics, camps, meetings, travel and competitions.

SJI National Rules:

Each athlete, and his or her parent or guardian where applicable, is responsible for reading the National Rules and is obligated to comply with and be bound by them.

You are encouraged to accept responsibility for your own behaviour and performance in training, in competition and during any occasion when representing **SJI**

By Renewing Annual Membership, and/or signing Declaration, It Is Accepted That Athletes Agree To Abide By The Following:

- Respect all decisions made by **Showjumping Ireland**, this includes the requirement to treat all **SJI** Officials, Sponsors and members with respect and courtesy and to follow all instructions issued by, and respond in reasonable time to requests from **Showjumping Ireland** or any **SJI** officials
- While participating in any **SJI Events** Athletes must remember they are acting as ambassadors for their particular equestrian sport and must NOT conduct him/herself at a show in a manner which is offensive to the public or conduct him/herself in such a manner which is considered to be detrimental to the character and/or prejudicial to the interests of the Association.
- Alcohol - Under no circumstances shall any underage athlete consume alcohol.
- Drugs - athletes are strictly forbidden from using or being in possession of any form of prohibited drug or mood altering substance
- Be organised and on time for Competitions/Events/Activities
- Know and abide by rules set down by **Showjumping Ireland**
- Participate fairly, do your best and enjoy yourself
- Represent yourself, your family, your Region and **SJI** with pride and dignity
- Respect Officials and accept their decisions gracefully
- Take appropriate care of your horse and equipment
- Respect fellow members/competitors giving them support whether they do well or not so well
- Respect opponents and be modest in victory and gracious in defeat
- Set high standards of **FAIR PLAY** for others to follow
- Behave and Conduct yourself in a manner that avoids bringing **Showjumping Ireland, Sponsors** or any of its members into disrepute. This also refers to any comments made on social media sites i.e. Facebook, Twitter etc

Any breaches of this Code will be dealt with through SJI disciplinary procedures.

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Part of Child Welfare & Safeguarding Policies & Procedures

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Showjumping Ireland recognises the important role that young people play in our organisation. Every young athlete should be encouraged to realise that they have responsibilities to treat everyone with fairness and respect.

Showjumping Ireland recognises that we have a responsibility to:

- Promote the interests and safeguard all members less than 18 years of age in SJI .
- Respect the rights, wishes and feelings that young people may have.
- Ensure all reasonable steps are taken to protect young people from any harm, discrimination or degrading treatment.

Young People Are Entitled to:	
Be safe and feel safe	Be believed
Be afforded appropriate confidentiality	Be treated with respect and dignity
Get help against bullies	To protect their own bodies
Be happy , have fun and experience a sense of enjoyment and fulfilment	Comment and make suggestions in a constructive manner
Make a complaint appropriately to an SJI Official and be listened to	Say No

Youth Athletes also have responsibilities and should be encouraged to display Fair Play and courtesy to (including but not limited to) SJI Officials, fellow Competitors, Show Organisers, Coaches, Sponsors etc.

Young People Should Not:	
Cheat – always participate by the rules	Shout at or argue with an official
Use abusive language	Spread rumours
Bully or use bullying tactics to isolate another young person	Harm other members, opponents or their property
Tell lies about adults or other young people	Keep Secrets , especially if they cause harm
Discriminate against others	Abuse or Harm their Animals

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DECLARATION

I hereby consent to the child named below participating in SJI activities including attending training sessions and competitions in line with the “Code of Ethics in Sport” & “Showjumping Ireland’s Child Welfare & Safeguarding Policies & Procedures” and agree to abide by its contents.

I confirm that I have read the Showjumping Ireland Athletes Code of Conduct and agree to abide by it

Signature

Print Name

Parent/Guardian
Signature (if U18)

Print Name

Date

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