

CODES OF CONDUCT

ATHLETE

- Be a good sport. Respect all good performances whether from your Centre or the opponents. Shake hands with and thank the opposing athletes and officials after the event – win, lose or draw.
- Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit.
- Always respect the official's decision.
- Never become involved in acts of foul play.
- Honour both the spirit and intention of the competition rules and live up to the highest ideals of ethics and sportsmanship. Avoid gamesmanship and respect the traditions of the sport.
- Never engage in disrespectful conduct of any sort including profanity, sledging, obscene gestures, offensive remarks, trash-talking, taunting, or other actions that are demeaning to other athletes, officials, or supporters.
- Care for and respect the facilities and equipment made available to you during training and competition.
- Safeguard your health. Don't use any illegal or unhealthy substances.
- Recognise that officials and coaches are volunteers who give up their time to provide their services. Treat them with the utmost respect.
- Do not bet or otherwise financially speculate, directly or indirectly, on the outcome or any other aspect of a Little Athletics event or competition in which you are involved.

Athletes acceptance:

PARENT / SPECTATOR

- Condemn all violent or illegal acts, whether they are by athletes, coaches, officials, parents, or spectators.
- Respect the official's decisions. Don't complain or argue about actions or decisions during or after an event.
- Unsportsmanlike language, harassment, or aggressive behaviour will not be tolerated.
- Encourage athletes to play by the rules and to respect opposing athletes and officials.
- Never ridicule or scorn an athlete for making a mistake, respect their efforts.
- Understand that sport is part of a total life experience, and the benefits of involvement go far beyond the final placing of an event.
- Participate in positive cheering that encourages the athletes in the Centre you are supporting. Don't engage in any cheering that taunts or intimidates opponents, their fans, or officials.
- Remember that children participate in Little Athletics for their own enjoyment, not yours!
- At all times follow the directions of the Arena Manager and/or other competition day officials.
- Never arrive at a Little Athletics competition under the influence of alcohol. Never bring alcohol to a Little Athletics competition or training.

Parents acceptance:
