



WESTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL SPORT CONFEDERATION

COLOURS COMMISSION

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CODE OF CONDUCT

The **CODE OF CONDUCT** applies to all who participate in the Western Cape Sports Arena. The WESTERN CAPE [WC] consists of the affiliated District Sport Councils of Cape Town, Cape Winelands, Central Karoo, Eden, Overberg & West Coast.

1. PARTICIPANTS are:
 - Sportsmen
 - Sportswomen
 - Coaches
 - Managers
 - Any other officials
 - Any person or persons accompanying the team.

Once Western Cape colours are bestowed and accepted, all participants are bound by the CODE OF CONDUCT.

2.2 Representing the Western Cape is an honour reserved for the selected and the ultimate honour would be victory.

2.3 Participants are ambassadors of the Western Cape and as such must behave in an exemplary manner and must be a credit to the Western Cape.

3.1 Guidelines have been compiled to serve as broad criteria for all those involved in representative participation in order to ensure –

- basic uniformity,
- group unity,
- discipline
- friendly and comfortable disposition within the group or team.

3.2 WC Sport Federations within the WCPSC must ensure that team management consists of seasoned and responsible adults who can provide the necessary guidance to young and or inexperienced team members, especially if participants are travelling for the first time.

3.3. Each WC Sport Federation must have a Code of Conduct.

3.4 Every participant shall, during all events and at all times while participating in the sport arena conduct themselves in a true sportsman-like manner. These provisions apply to each participants conduct while within the precincts of each venue or site of the tournament, as well as at any official event or function related to the tournament, including while travelling and while wearing the official colours.

3.4.1 PUNCTUALITY must be adhered to.



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3.4.2 DRESS – must conform to the standards as set out by the Western Cape Provincial Sport Confederation Colours Committee. The official dress of the team should be worn at departure and arrival and at official receptions.

3.4.3 LEAVING THE PREMISES OF THE SPORTS VENUE - may only be allowed with the permission of the team management.

3.4.4 CEREMONIES – Opening and Closing Ceremonies must be attended with due respect to all speakers and organisers.

3.4.5 CONDUCT especially when travelling – bad language, rowdy behaviour, singing of vulgar songs will not be permitted. Participants and persons accompanying the team, must respect fellow travellers and must be well behaved in public places, at venues, towards staff or hosts and respect the persons and property of others.

3.4.6 UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT – participants shall at all times conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner and give due regard to the authority of officials and the rights of opponents, spectators and others. If such violation occurs during a event (including a warm-up) the participants shall be subject to disciplinary action.

3.4.7 AUDIBLE OBSCENITY – participants may not use words commonly known and understood to be profane and uttered clearly and loudly enough to be heard by others. This would be considered a violation of the Code of Conduct.

3.4.8 VISIBLE OBSCENITY – participants may not make obscene gestures of any kind. This would also be considered a violation of the Code of Conduct.

3.4.9 VISIBLE OBSCENITIES - on clothing or any equipment of participants or persons accompanying the participants would also be considered a violation of the Code of Conduct.

3.4.10 VERBAL ABUSE – participants and persons travelling with the team, shall not at any time directly or indirectly verbally abuse any official, opponent, sponsor, spectator or other person while representing the Western Cape, while wearing the Western Cape Colours or while travelling with the Western Cape team. Verbal abuse is defined as a statement about an official, opponent, sponsor, spectator or other person that implies dishonesty or is derogatory, insulting or otherwise abusive.

3.4.11 PHYSICAL AND SEXUAL ABUSE – participants or persons travelling with the team, may not at any time physically or sexually abuse any official, opponent, spectator or other person. Physical and sexual abuse is the unauthorised touching of or sexual advances to an official, opponent, spectator or any other person.

3.4.12 SUBSTANCE ABUSE – by participants and persons accompanying the team will be regarded as a violation of the Code of Conduct and can lead to disciplinary action.



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3.4.13 DRUGS, and the use thereof, will not be tolerated. Subscription drugs must be checked for content. The WADA code will apply and must be adhered to.

3.4.14 ALCOHOL abuse will not be permitted.

3.4.15 TOBACCO use while wearing Western Cape Colours will not be permitted.

4 DISCIPLINARY ACTION

4.1 Any disciplinary action taken by a District Sport Federation must be reported to the Western Cape Provincial Confederation Colours Committee.

4.2 The Western Cape Provincial Confederation Colours Committee reserves the right to implement:

4.2.1. A DISCIPLINARY HEARING

4.2.2. THE SUSPENSION OF PLAYERS

4.2.3. THE WITHDRAWAL OF WESTERN CAPE COLOURS

4.2.4. THE REVISION OF THE OUTCOME OF THE DISCIPLINARY ACTION AS PER 4.1.

5 DISCIPLINARY HEARING

5.1 If the Code of Conduct is infringed, disciplinary steps, in the discretion of the WC Sport Federation and the Western Cape Provincial Confederation Colours Committee may be taken against such participant.

5.2 A participant may be suspended on violation of any grounds appearing under any items as set out above in the Code of Conduct.

5.3 The Western Cape Provincial Confederation Colours Committee reserves the right to withdraw Western Cape colours which have been awarded to any participant, on any violation of the Code of Conduct.

5.4 The Western Cape Provincial Confederation Colours Committee reserves the right to revise the outcome of any Disciplinary Action taken by any WC Sport Federation.

6 LODGING OF COMPLAINTS

6.1 PROCEDURE ON LODGING OF COMPLAINTS

6.1.1 Step 1: A participant or other party must lodge a complaint with their WC Sport Federation. The WC Sport Federation must inform the Western Cape Provincial Confederation Colours Committee.

6.1.2 Step II: If no satisfactory decision is reached the participant or other party may lodge a complaint with the Western Cape Provincial Confederation Colours Committee.

6.1.3 Step III: If the matter is still not satisfactorily settled, the participant or other party may lodge a complaint with the Western Cape Provincial Sport Confederation.

6.1.4 Step IV: If still no satisfaction is reached, the matter will be referred to the WC Arbitration Forum for final decision.



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According to SASCOC policy, all sport related issues of dispute must be kept out of civil court as far as possible for no funds from government will be used for these cases.

ACCEPTANCE

NAME & SURNAME: _____

TEAM: _____

DATE: _____ **SIGNATURE:** _____

TEAM MANAGER SIGNATURE: _____