

International Chito-Ryu Karate Federation of Australia Inc.



Codes of Conduct

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Introduction

The International Chito-Ryu Karate Federation of Australia Inc. has adopted the following codes of conduct for Coaches, Players, Parents/Guardians and Spectators. The codes outline the standard of behaviour required of each role and have been developed to assist in retaining the integrity, fair play and enjoyable aspects of Chito-Ryu Karate. The codes have been taken from the **Australian Sports Commission** and as such reflect national standards.

These Codes of Conduct need to be provided to all Coaches, Players and Parents/Guardians and displayed in public view in individual dojos. The Spectator Code must be displayed at all ICKFA events including camps and tournaments.

It is very important that the ICKFA provides the highest standard of care for all participants and the implementation of these codes will ensure that there is a consistent and ethical approach throughout the association.

Mark Snow
President ICKFA Inc.

Coach's code of ethics

<p>1. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every human being.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Within the context of the activity, treat everyone equally regardless of sex, disability, ethnic origin or religion.
<p>2. Ensure the athlete's time spent with you is a positive experience.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All athletes are deserving of equal attention and opportunities.
<p>3. Treat each athlete as an individual.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Respect the talent, developmental stage and goals of each individual athlete. • Help each athlete reach their full potential.
<p>4. Be fair, considerate and honest with athletes.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
<p>5. Be professional and accept responsibility for your actions.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Display high standards in your language, manner, punctuality, preparation and presentation. • Display control, respect, dignity and professionalism to all involved with the sport – this includes opponents, coaches, officials, administrators, the media, parents and spectators. • Encourage athletes to demonstrate the same qualities
<p>6. Make a commitment to providing a quality service to your athletes.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain or improve your current NCAS accreditation. • Seek continual improvement through performance appraisal and ongoing coach education. • Provide a training program which is planned and sequential. • Maintain appropriate records.
<p>7. Operate within the rules and spirit of your sport.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The guidelines of national and international bodies governing your sport should be followed. Please contact your sport for a copy of its rule book, constitution, by-laws, relevant policies (eg. anti-doping policy, selection procedures etc.) • Coaches should educate their athletes on drugs in sport issues in consultation with the Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority.
<p>8. Any physical contact with athletes should be appropriate to the situation and necessary for the athlete's skill development</p>	
<p>9. Refrain from any form of personal abuse towards your athletes. *</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This includes verbal, physical and emotional abuse. • Be alert to any forms of abuse directed towards your athletes from other sources whilst they are in your care.

<p>10. Refrain from any form of harassment towards your athletes. *</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This includes sexual and racial harassment, racial vilification and harassment on the grounds of disability. • You should not only refrain from initiating a relationship with an athlete, but should also discourage any attempt by an athlete to initiate a sexual relationship with you, explaining the ethical basis of your refusal.
<p>11. Provide a safe environment for training and competition.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure equipment and facilities meet safety standards. • Ensure equipment, rules, training and the environment are appropriate for the age and ability of the athletes.
<p>12. Show concern and caution towards sick and injured athletes.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide a modified training program where appropriate. • Allow further participation in training and competition only when appropriate. • Encourage athletes to seek medical advice when required. • Maintain the same interest and support towards sick and injured athletes.
<p>13. Be a positive role model for your sport and athletes.</p>	
<p>14. Adhere to the Australian Sports Commission's / your sport's anti-doping policy**</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be knowledgeable of, and comply with, all applicable anti-doping policies and rules • Use your influence to foster positive anti-doping attitudes • Support the initiatives of the Australian Sports Commission/your sport and other applicable organisations to stop doping in sport • Cooperate with the Australian Sports Commission /your sport and other applicable organisations in relation to the conduct of any investigation or hearing into an alleged ant-doping policy breach • Understand the process for reporting, investigating and determining breaches as set out in the Australian Sports Commission's/your sport's anti-doping policy • Give due and proper consideration as to whether you also have a responsibility to act under the Australian Sports Commission's/your sport's code of conduct • Act in a discreet and confidential manner in discharging your obligations

Player Code of Behaviour

In addition to the *ICKFA's* General Code of Behaviour, you must meet the following requirements in regard to your conduct during any activity held or sanctioned by *the ICKFA* a member association or an affiliated club and in your role as a player/participant in any activity held by or under the auspices of *the ICKFA* a member association or an affiliated club:

1. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of fellow players, coaches, officials and spectators.
2. Do not tolerate acts of aggression.
3. Respect the talent, potential and development of fellow players and competitors.
4. Care for and respect the equipment provided to you as part of your program.
5. Be frank and honest with your coach concerning illness and injury and your ability to train fully within the program requirements.
6. At all times avoid intimate relationships with your coach.
7. Conduct yourself in a professional manner relating to language, temper and punctuality.
8. Maintain high personal behaviour standards at all times.
9. Abide by the rules and respect the decision of the official, making all appeals through the formal process and respecting the final decision.
10. Be honest in your attitude and preparation to training. Work equally hard for yourself and your team.
11. Cooperate with coaches and staff in development of programs to adequately prepare you for competition at the highest level.

Parent/Guardian Code of Behaviour

As a parent/guardian of a player/participant in any activity held by or under the auspices of *the ICKFA* a member association or an affiliated club, you must meet the following requirements in regard to your conduct during any such activity or event:

1. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of others.
2. Remember that your child participates in sport for their own enjoyment, not yours.
3. Focus on your child's efforts and performance rather than winning or losing.
4. Never ridicule or yell at your child and other children for making a mistake or losing a competition.
5. Show appreciation for good performance and skilful plays by all players (including opposing players).
6. Demonstrate a high degree of individual responsibility especially when dealing with or in the vicinity of persons under 18 years of age, as your words and actions are an example.
7. Respect officials' decisions and teach children to do likewise.
8. Do not physically or verbally abuse or harass anyone associated with the sport (player, coach, umpire and so on).
9. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
10. Be a positive role model.
11. Understand the repercussions if you breach, or are aware of any breaches of, this code of behaviour.

Spectator Code of Behaviour

As a spectator in any activity held by or under the auspices of *the ICKFA*, a member association or an affiliated club, you must meet the following requirements in regard to your conduct during any such activity or event:

1. Respect the decisions of officials and teach young people to do the same.
2. Never ridicule or scold a young player for making a mistake. Positive comments are motivational.
3. Condemn the use of violence in any form, whether it is by other spectators, coaches, officials or players.
4. Show respect for your team's opponents. Without them there would be no game.
5. Do not use violence, harassment or abuse in any form (that is, do not use foul language, sledge or harass players, coaches, officials or other spectators).
6. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.