



Hartlepool Wadokai

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR CLUB OFFICIALS AND VOLUNTEERS Hartlepool Wadokai Karate Club

Officials and Volunteers

- Must treat everyone equally and sensitively regardless of their age, gender, ethnic origin, cultural background, sexual orientation, religion or political affiliation.
- Accept the special role that you have to play in the establishment of standards by setting a good example of behaviour and conduct at all times.
- Do not manipulate the rules in order to benefit yourself personally or your club.
- Encourage participants and instructors/coaches to abide by the rules and spirit of the sport.
- Do not use foul, sexist or racist language.
- Use your official position to take action against spectators who harass abuse or use foul, sexist or racist language towards participants, officials, instructors/coaches.
- Ensure that proper supervision is provided with suitably qualified instructors/coaches and officials who are capable of promoting good sporting behaviour and good technical skills.
- Ensure all equipment and facilities meet safety standards.
- Respect the rights of other clubs.
- Show respect to officials, instructors/coaches, participants and others involved in the sport.
- Do not endeavour to influence the result of a competition by any actions that are not strictly within the rules of the sport.
- Remember sport is enjoyed for its own sake – play down the importance of winning.
- Always have regards to the best interest of the sport, including where publicly expressing an opinion on the competition or any particular aspect of it, including others involved in the competition.
- Resist illegal or unsporting influences, including banned substances and techniques.
- Promote ethical principles
- Accept the decisions of the officials without protest
- Avoid words or actions, which may mislead an official.