

Coach Code of Conduct

Coaches are required to:

- Respect the decision of officials. Follow the protest and appeals process.
- At all times act as a role model for others, displaying high standards of good sporting behavior
- Respect the rights and dignity of every person regardless of gender, race, ethnicity or sexual orientation
- Promote a safe and inclusive environment, in which every person is protected and free from discrimination, harassment and abuse
- Ensure every person has equal opportunity to participate regardless of age, ability or experience
- Ensure that all equipment and activities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and abilities of every person
- Promote the principles of fair play and discourage foul play and/or unsporting behaviour
- Always consider the safety and wellbeing of athletes before performance and results and follow the advice of a physician/medical officer in determining when an injured athlete may return to training and competition
- Maintain respectful and appropriate relationships with every person, especially to athletes to which you owe a duty of care
- Never engage in inappropriate conduct including the use of offensive language, drinking or smoking, whilst in an official capacity
- Ensure coaching qualifications are up to date and accredited by the appropriate sporting body
- Follow the guidelines and rules set down by the organisation and governing body
- Call out and refer to organisation authorities all acts of unethical behavior, whether from athletes, officials, support people or spectators

Any breach of the Code of Conduct should be sanctioned. Obstacle Australia will define the terms of the sanction and the disciplinary procedures.