Code of Conduct Policy

1. Purpose & Scope

This Code of Conduct establishes the expected standards of behaviour for all staff, volunteers, trustees, and anyone representing Charlton Premier Skills and all subsidiaries. It applies to:

- All program activities (onsite/offsite)
- Digital communications
- External engagements
- Social events linked to our organisation

2. Our Core Values

We expect everyone to uphold these principles:

- Respect: Value diversity and treat everyone with dignity
- Integrity: Act honestly and take responsibility
- Safety: Prioritise welfare of children and vulnerable groups
- Professionalism: Maintain appropriate boundaries at all times

3. Behavioural Standards

Professional Conduct

- Maintain clear professional boundaries with participants
- Use appropriate language (no swearing, derogatory or discriminatory remarks)
- Dress appropriately for activities
- Be punctual and reliable

Safeguarding

- Follow all safeguarding policies and procedures
- Never be alone with a child without another adult present
- Report concerns immediately to the Safeguarding Lead
- Use approved communication channels only (no private social media contact)

Confidentiality

- Protect personal data in line with our Privacy Policy
- Never share sensitive information without authorization
- Store documents securely

Conflict of Interest

- Declare any personal relationships that may influence decisions
- Avoid accepting gifts that could create obligations (>£50 value)
- Do not use organizational resources for personal gain

Digital Conduct

- Use work accounts for organisational communications
- Maintain professionalism in all digital interactions

• Respect copyright laws when sharing content

4. Unacceptable Behaviour

The following will result in disciplinary action:

- Bullying, harassment or discrimination
- Abuse of position or authority
- Possession/use of illegal substances during activities
- Physical punishment of participants
- Fraud or financial misconduct
- Retaliation against whistleblowers

5. Social Media Guidelines

- Do:
- Share positive program updates
- Use privacy settings appropriately
- Report concerning content
- Don't:
 - Post identifiable photos of participants without consent
 - o Make negative comments about the organisation
 - o Engage in political/controversial debates as a representative

6. Compliance & Enforcement

- All personnel must sign acceptance of this Code annually
- Breaches will be investigated under relevant policies (Disciplinary, Safeguarding)
- Serious violations may result in dismissal/termination and legal reporting

7. Raising Concerns

Report any Code violations to: Compliance Officer programmes@charltonpremierskills.org.uk

07908174875

Anonymous reports can be made via: Fraud or Cybercrime 0300 123 2040

8. Policy Review

Annual review by Trustees. Last updated: 19/04/2025

Approved by:

Dennis Ssemwogerere Director of Programmes Charlton Premier Skills 19/04/2025

Related Policies:

- Safeguarding Policy
- Social Media Policy
- Disciplinary Procedure
- Equality & Diversity Policy

This Code helps us maintain trust and deliver our mission effectively.

All team members will receive training on this policy during induction and annually thereafter.