



TENPIN BOWLING NEW ZEALAND - CODE OF CONDUCT

General Rules

Enjoy participating, compete fairly, do your best and have fun! All Athletes, Parents & Supporters are expected to be respectful to all coaches/ co-ordinators, officials and helpers.

We do not yell or answer back to officials while competing in tournaments or league play. We follow protocol for protests as written in the general playing rules.

Verbal or Physical abuse is unacceptable, especially from an adult.

We support and encourage our team mates and also competitors on the lanes.

We wear our national representative and centre shirt with pride.

All Athletes

Follow and compete by the rules. Never argue with a sports official.

Control your temper at all times. Verbal abuse of officials and verbalizing other athletes and deliberately distracting are not acceptable behaviours in any sport.

Work hard for yourself and your bowling centre, club and/or team.

Be a good sport. Applaud all skilful athletes achievements whether they are made by your team or the competitors.

Treat all participants in your sport as you like to be treated.

Cooperate with your coach, team-mates and competitors.

Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please parents, coaches and teachers.

Respect the rights of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

Parents

Always remember that kids participate in sport for their enjoyment, not yours.

Encourage kids to participate, do not force them.

Always encourage kids to participate according to the rules following the code of conduct.

Be positive on the child's efforts and performance rather than winning or losing.

Never make negative comments to a child for making a mistake or losing a competition.

Remember that kids learn best by watching great role models.

Reinforce the stance on removing verbal and physical abuse from kids' sports.

Always respect the officials' decisions and teach kids to do likewise.

Always show appreciation for volunteer sports coaches, officials and administrators.

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Coaches / Managers

Always ensure that the time kids spend with you as coach is a positive experience. All kids are deserving of equal attention and opportunities.

Display control, respect and professionalism to all involved within the sport. This includes opponents, coaches, officials, administrators, the media, parents and other spectators. Encourage athletes to do the same, be a great role model.

Always show concern toward sick and injured players. Follow the advice of a trained medical trainer when determining whether an injured player is ready to recommence training and competition.

Where appropriate, obtain qualifications and keep up to date with the latest coaching practices and the latest principles of growth and development of athletes of all ages. Always remember that bowlers participate for pleasure, enjoyment and winning is only part of the fun.

Never use negative ridicule or yell at bowlers for making a mistake or not winning.

Be considerate and reasonable in your demands on players' time, energy and enthusiasm. Sports is only one part of their busy lives.

Always operate within the code of conduct, rules and fair spirit of your sport and instruct the bowlers to do the same.

Any physical contact with a bowlers, particularly a child, should be appropriate to the situation and necessary for the player's skill development or medical care.

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It is essential that the three parties (players, parents and sports coaches/officials) receive a copy of the Code of Conduct at the commencement of any season. It must be read, understood and most importantly adhered to.