

MTC Code of Conduct

STUDENTS CODE OF CONDUCT

1. Compete for the 'fun of it' and not just to please parents and Instructors.
2. Work equally as hard for yourself and your club. Your club's performance will benefit, so will you.
3. Play by the rules.
4. Never argue with an official. If you disagree, speak with your head instructor during the break or after an event.
5. Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials, instructors or other students, deliberately provoking an opponent and throwing equipment is not acceptable or permissible in any sport.
6. Be a good sport. Cheer all good performances, whether they be by a club mate, or another club's student.
7. Treat all students as you would like to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully or take unfair advantage of another student.
8. Co-operate with your instructor, club members, officials and opponents. Without them there would be no competition.
9. If an instructor observes bullying or abusive behaviour, they will immediately advise the student of the issue, and also the head instructor. The head instructor may take further action in the form of asking the student to leave the class for a period of time, leave the class completely, or in exceptional cases, leave the club.

SPECTATORS CODE OF CONDUCT

1. Students participate in organised sports for fun. They are not competing for the entertainment of the spectators only, nor are they 'miniature' professionals.
2. Applaud all good performances and efforts by your club students and their opponents. Congratulate all students/clubs upon their performance regardless of the competition's outcome. Respect the official's decision. If there is a disagreement, follow the appropriate procedure in order to question the decision and teach children to do likewise.
3. Never ridicule or scold an student for making a mistake during a competition. Positive comments are motivational.
4. Condemn the use of violence in any form, be it by spectators, officials or students.
5. Show respect for your club's opponents. Without them there would be no competition.
6. Encourage students to participate according to the rules and the official's decisions.
7. Demonstrate appropriate social behaviour by not using foul language, harassing participants, Instructors or officials.

INSTRUCTORS CODE OF CONDUCT

Instructors will abide by the World Taekwondo Federation (WTF) Code of Ethics.

OFFICIALS CODE OF CONDUCT

1. Be polite and friendly at all times.
2. Be consistent, objective and courteous in calling all rule infringements.
3. Condemn deliberate misconduct as being un-sportsmanlike, and promote fair play and appropriate sports behaviour.
4. Use common sense to ensure that the 'spirit of competition' for juniors is not lost by overcalling violations.

5. Actions speak louder than words. Ensure that both on and off the track your behaviour is consistent with the principles of good sportsmanship.
6. Make a personal commitment to keep yourself informed of sound officiating principles and up-to-date technical rules.

PARENTS CODE OF CONDUCT

1. If children are interested, encourage them to attend Taekwondo. However, if children are NOT willing to attend Taekwondo, do not force them.
2. Focus upon the child's efforts and performances rather than the overall outcome of the event. This assists the child in setting realistic goals related to his/her ability by reducing the emphasis on winning.
3. Teach children that an honest effort is as important as victory, so that the result of each event is accepted without undue disappointment.
4. Encourage children to always participate according to the rules.
5. Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing an event.
6. Remember children learn best from example. Applaud good performances by all competitors, even if from other clubs.
7. If you disagree with an official, raise the issue through the appropriate channels rather than question the official's judgement and honesty in public. Remember, most officials give their time and effort freely for your child's involvement.
8. Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.
9. Recognise the value and importance of volunteer Instructors. They give their time and resources to provide recreational activities for the students and deserve your support.