

Competitors Code of Conduct

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Introduction

DanceSport Australia is committed to providing a safe environment for participation for all its members.

The Competitors Code of Conduct provides guidelines for expected behaviour of competitors at DanceSport Registered events.

1. Code of Conduct

- 1.1. It is a condition of registration that competitors must at all times act in a sportsmanlike manner and while in public must act in a way that does not bring DanceSport, fellow competitors or DSA into disrepute.
- 1.2. Competitors must not connive in a breach of these rules by making false statements, by withholding information about their age, qualifications or other matters that would result in their being ineligible to enter an event.
- 1.3. Competitors must not use physical violence, or act in a way that uses the threat of physical violence as intimidation. Competitors must refrain from making public statements that vilify another DSA member on the basis of race, religion, colour, gender, sexual orientation or other related characteristics.
- 1.4. The taking of illicit and/or performance enhancing substances is banned. Refer to the Anti Doping Policy for more information regarding banned substances.

2. Expected Behaviours

- 2.1. Competitors are urged to abide by the following code of behaviour:
 - a) Compete by the rules and always abide by the adjudicators' decisions.
 - b) Control your temper. Make no criticism in public either by word or gesture.
 - c) Be a good sport. Encourage your partner or fellow team members if you are part of a larger team.
 - d) Be considerate to your partner and work as a team. It is your performance as a couple that is assessed, not your individual performances.
 - e) Be willing to train and prepare for competition. Preparation helps prevent injury.
 - f) Compete only when you are fully fit.
 - g) Be realistic in setting your personal goals.