



ATHLETE CODE OF CONDUCT



Introduction:

The following “Code of Conduct” flows from the values and ethics espoused by the Belize Cycling Association. The Belize Cycling Association is committed to providing “the pursuit of good sport” and ensuring that the sport of cycling is practiced in a fair manner.

The Code of Conduct is a specific description of the behavior we expect from athletes involved in the Belize Cycling Association’s programs.

Athlete Statement

I believe that the true essence of sport is to strive for personal achievement and excellence through full and honest effort. I am committed to participating in sport with integrity, and to striving to win only by legitimate means. I pledge to learn, understand, and adhere to both the written rules of my sport and the accepted rules of fair play. I understand that officials, teammates, and opponents are all integral to sport and worthy of my respect. It is my responsibility to maintain self-control. I will accept officials’ decisions without arguments, play aggressively but without hostility, and behave graciously in triumph or defeat.

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Respect for others

I agree to act with respect toward all those I come into contact with through sport. This means I refrain from comments or behaviors which are abusive, offensive, racist, sexist or otherwise belittling or demeaning to others.

I do not harass or tolerate harassment by others.

I respect others as persons and treat them with dignity.

I respect the privacy of others.

I do not endanger the safety of others through my actions.

Respect for self

I act with fairness and integrity in the pursuit of excellent sport.

I practice drug-free sport and accept doping control.

I avoid the abuse of alcohol and illegal drugs.

Respect for Sport

I strive for personal excellence in sport.

I honor and respect the spirit and traditions of sport.

I do not impede the preparation for competition of other competitors or teammates.

I respect the decisions of judges and officials.

Respect for the Belize Cycling Association (BCA)

I accept the BCA's rules, policies and procedures governing events and competitions in which I participate.

I comply with the reasonable requests of officials of the BCA.

I accept that I am an ambassador for cycling and the BCA.

I refrain from any action which might bring the sport of cycling or the BCA into disrepute.

Respect for property

I respect the property and livelihood of others, which means refraining from vandalism, theft and other forms of mischief.

Failure to comply with this code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action in accordance with the Discipline Policy of the Belize Cycling Association. Such action may result in the member losing the privileges that come from membership in the Belize Cycling Association, including the opportunity to participate in Belize Cycling Association activities.