



ALBERTA AMATEUR WRESTLING

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Athlete Code of Conduct

ALBERTA AMATEUR WRESTLING ASSOCIATION (AAWA) ATHLETE CODE OF CONDUCT

AAWA Member Athletes Shall:

- Treat all opponents, coaches & officials with respect
- Not use technology or social media to disrespect or exploit others
- Follow AAWA Harassment Policies
- Wrestle to the best of their abilities, within the rules overseeing the competition
- Exercise self-control at all times
- Respect the decisions of officials without gesture or argument
- Show good sportsmanship by winning with humility and losing with dignity
- Agree to abide by the rules, regulations, laws, and bylaws of AAWA, WCL, the Province of Alberta, Canada, any host countries, and host venues.
- Avoid any behaviour which would cause unreasonable disruption or interference in competitions, training camps, or preparation of any athlete for a competition; (i.e. fist fighting, abusive or foul language, etc.)
- Abstain from theft or vandalism of any property, hotel rooms, dormitories, training facilities, and equipment; the athlete shall be held accountable for such actions and agrees to reimburse the property owners directly for any such damage.
- Agree to be in their assigned quarters at the given time indicated by the attending head coach, and outside guests will be prohibited in athlete's quarters without the consent of the attending head coach, or their own coach if present.
- Show respect to all people regardless of gender, colour, race, or creed. (i.e. be discreet in expressing and exchanging political, economic, and religious views in public)
- Avoid use of banned substances that are contravention to rules, regulations, & bylaws of AAWA, WCL, & the IOC.
- For athletes in the WCL testing pool, submit to random doping control tests at competitions and at other reasonable times as requested by WCL, the Canadian Centre for Drug-free Sport, or any other authority designated to do so by the WCL; Failure to submit to such testing shall be grounds for immediate dismissal from AAWA membership.
- Avoid substance use, whether alcohol or drug abuse, and the use and/or possession of illegal drugs as defined according to the laws of Canada, and Alberta.
- Abide by any further rules of their home club/team
- Athlete responsible to pay any fines or penalties arising from any infraction or misconduct levied by any other wrestling governing body.

Known active criminal investigations regarding any of the above will result in suspension of membership and will be dealt with on a case by case basis.

Failure to adhere to these conditions may result in one or more of the following disciplinary actions:

- Withdrawn from tournament or camp regardless of placing
- Returned home at their own expense
- Removal from Zone or Provincial team
- Expulsion from Alberta Wrestling membership (not sanctioned to attend provincial/national events)
- Report letter sent to parents and personal coach from Alberta Wrestling Executive
- Probation letter sent to offending athlete(s), their personal coach, and their parents

If an athlete is in violation of the terms of this Athlete Code of Conduct, the athlete may be subject to disciplinary action which may include one or more of the sanctions outlined above.

I hereby acknowledge, understand and agree to abide by this Code of Conduct while participating in all Alberta Amateur Wrestling activities. I understand that my violation of any of these terms may result in temporary suspension, discipline, expulsion or criminal charges.

Name: _____ Date: _____

(Printed)

Signature: _____

Parent Signature (if athlete is under 18): _____

The Code of Conduct must be read, reviewed and signed electronically or in hard copy and returned to the Alberta Amateur Wrestling office prior to beginning competition each year.