**National School of Freestyle Taekwondo (NSFT) in association with Martial Arts GB**

**Code of Conduct for Parents/Guardians**

**General principles**

All those involved must treat everyone equally and sensitively regardless of age, disability, gender, race, ethnic origin, cultural or social background, sexual orientation, religious belief, political affiliation or any other personal characteristic/feature.

The Club opposes to any form of violent, offensive or discriminatory behaviour and will act as necessary to remove individuals who do not abide by this Code of Ethics and Conduct.

Everyone involved, both adults and young people, have a responsibility to treat everyone with dignity, respect, sensitivity and fairness and to recognise that children, young people and adults with special needs may face additional barriers.

Every young person or vulnerable adult involved should be able to participate in an enjoyable and safe environment protected from abuse. Allegations of a child protection nature relating to the breaking of this Code of Ethics and Conduct must follow the reporting procedures as contained in the Safeguarding Policy and Procedures.

All family/guardians of participants will:

* Teach your child to treat everyone equally and sensitively regardless of their age, disability, gender, race, ethnic origin, cultural background, sexual orientation, religious beliefs or political affiliation; gender, ethnic origin or cultural background
* Collaborate to remove any verbal, physical and racist abuse from Martial Arts
* Not force an unwilling participant to join in a martial arts class/competition
* Remember children/young people participate for their enjoyment - not yours
* Promote respect for the rules and the officials and refrain from questioning their judgement publicly
* Never make fun of or shout at a participant for making a mistake or losing a competition;
* Support the fact that effort and teamwork are as important as winning
* Remember that young people and vulnerable adults learn best by example
* Recognise the value and importance of volunteers in Martial Arts. They selflessly contribute with their time, energy and resources to provide recreational activities for others

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