

Leongatha Table Tennis Association (Inc)

Code of Conduct

(adopted 18/04/2024)

Introduction

Leongatha Table Tennis is dedicated to creating an environment that nurtures the enjoyment and enthusiasm of every player within our sport through a safe, positive environment. We want to empower our players to conduct themselves with a sense of personal integrity based on the acceptance of rules, fairness, equality, respect for others and a sense of what is right; where unethical behaviour, rule breaking, drug taking or violence is automatically rejected as being irrelevant to the true purpose of Table Tennis.

I agree to:

For Myself

- Always strive to show the best of myself and refrain from inappropriate conduct towards others including physical, verbal, written or emotional, in person, or through use of social media; not bring myself or Leongatha Table Tennis into disrepute;
- Not smoke or take drugs of any kind within the stadium, or when representing Leongatha Table Tennis externally in any other venue wherever it is played;
- Not to consume alcohol while I am competing or a representative of Leongatha Table Tennis;
- Set a good example at all times in aspects of dress, punctuality, language, behaviour and respect of equipment and others;
- Conduct myself in a manner that takes all reasonable measures to protect my own safety and the safety of others;
- Report inappropriate behaviour or risky situations to a member of the Committee.

My Equipment

- Ensure both my equipment and attire is safe, well maintained and fit for purpose in training and competition;
- Ensure that all my equipment and sport specific clothing complies with the competition/event rules and uniform guidelines.

For Others

- Practice and participate fairly and be trustworthy, respecting other team members at all times and not behave in a manner which could be detrimental to their preparation or performance in any way;
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of age, gender, ability, race, cultural background or religious beliefs or sexual identity;
- Behave with respect to others including coaches, venue staff, officials, other athletes, parents, team managers and spectators;
- Respect the personal space of others;

Commitment

Leongatha Table Tennis recognises that to create a supportive atmosphere which allows everyone to participate and compete to the best of their abilities, that it is important for athletes to know that while we have high expectations of their behaviour, that they can expect the same from us.

You have the right to:

- Enjoy Table Tennis in a safe, enjoyable and protective environment;
- Be respected, treated fairly and participate on an equal basis, appropriate to your ability;
- Ask for help;
- Be listened to;
- Be believed;
- Be protected from abuse by other attendees or outside sources;

Serious Misconduct

Serious misconduct will be dealt with in accordance with the Leongatha Table Tennis disciplinary procedures.

For the avoidance of doubt these include but are not limited to:

- Any abusive or bullying behaviour (physical, emotion or verbal);
- Smoking and drug taking within the stadium;
- Under the influence of alcohol while competing or training;
- Repeated breaches of the code, however minor;

Agreement

By signing this code of conduct I agree to abide by the code outlined.

I understand that failure to abide by the Code of Conduct may result in any/all of the following actions:

- Being required to apologise formally;
- Receiving a warning; verbal or written;
- Being dropped or substituted or removed from certain training /events/competitions ;
- Suspension for a period of time;
- Termination of membership.

I have read and understood the above code of conduct and agree to be bound by it.

Player Signature:

Name (print):..... Date:../../.....