

United States Military Athlete Code of Conduct

Membership on a United States Military Sports team is an honor and privilege - a distinction few achieve. The responsibilities include obligations to do my best for my branch of the Service, the United States Department of Defense, my country, the international military sports family, and myself.

To this end, I pledge to uphold the spirit of this Code of Conduct, which offers a general guide to my conduct as a member of the team. I recognize that this Code does not establish a complete set of rules nor prescribe every aspect of appropriate behavior.

By signing this Code of Conduct, in its unaltered form, (1) I am available for higher-level competition and accept nomination to the team; (2) agree to abide by this Code and the instructions of those appointed over me, and (3) acknowledge that the Code applies immediately upon my signing this document.

As a Member of the Team, I Pledge to:

- arrive at the Armed Forces training site on-time, with proper uniforms, current passports, and necessary paperwork for overseas travel.
- act in a sportsmanlike manner consistent with the spirit of fair play and responsible conduct.
- maintain military standards of bearing, behavior and grooming throughout the period of my assignment to this program to include, but not limited to, times of travel training camps, and championships.
- maintain a level of fitness and competitive readiness which will permit my performance to be at the maximum of my abilities, failure to make or maintain competitive weight in applicable sports by closing date of training camp will result in removal from Armed Forces roster and immediate return to duty station, with any items of issue immediately returned to the team captain.
 - avoid criminal behavior.
 - not use any medication of substance on the International Olympic Committee (IOC) banned substance list and not to use substances or procedures in violation of the USOC National Anti-Doping Program.
- refrain from the use of, or the providing of alcohol or drugs in violation of local or national law or military regulations.
 - respect the property of others whether personal, public or government.
 - respect members of my team, other teams, spectators and officials, and engage in no form of verbal, physical or sexual harassment or abuse.
 - follow my team rules, regarding curfew and required attendance at team meetings or functions, and any other rules established by the coach, team captain, and/or Chief of Mission.
 - wear designated military, team and civilian apparel at official functions such as the opening ceremonies, closing ceremonies, press conferences, and other occasions as directed by those appointed over me;
 - refrain from obligating the U.S. Government for any purpose, financial or otherwise.

