

IPA CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PARENT(S)/GUARDIAN(S)

IPA recognises the important role parents of member's play as support staff and also recognises the important role that you play in the lives of your son/daughter and your support is welcomed at IPA Events. Representing IPA is a proud occasion and IPA will endeavour to ensure that your son/daughter enjoys the occasion and is given every opportunity to participate to the best of their ability.

As a parent/guardian, travelling to a home or international event where your son/daughter is representing IPA, we ask you to read and sign the following Code ensuring that everyone understands their role and responsibility at the Event.

As a Parent/Guardian travelling I/we undertake to:

- **Respect** the role and decisions made by the any IPA officials, including the Team Manager. The Team Manager is in charge of the entire Delegation at all times and is responsible for the welfare of the travelling delegation. He/she will promote a positive and healthy environment by adopting a child centered approach and philosophy.
- **Appreciate** that my son/daughter is part of the IPA National Team participating in an International Competition and is in the care of IPA.
- **Avoid** inappropriate approaches as they could jeopardise the performance of the team or your son/daughter.
- **Refrain** from using tobacco products in the company of equestrian athlete's and around the competition area.
- Consumption of alcohol is **forbidden** at all times in the company of any athlete at International Competitions.

REMEMBER AS A PARENT OR GUARDIAN:

- Through its Policies and Procedures, IPA ensures that all Team Members are respected and the welfare and ***safety of young people is paramount***
- To ***support all members*** of the Irish National Team and applaud **all** athletes
- To ***respect*** all decisions made by Event officials
- Not to exert ***undue pressure*** on your son/daughter

AS A PARENT YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO:

- Know your child is safe and be informed of any problems/concerns relating to your child including being informed if your child gets injured
- Seek guidance from the Team Manager or IPA regarding any welfare issue

I/we confirm that as a parent(s)/guardian of: _____

I/we have read the Parents/Guardians Code of Conduct and agree to abide by the Code.

Signature (s): _____ (1)

_____ (2)

Date: _____

A breach of this Code could result in disciplinary action under IPA Disciplinary Rules.