

# BC ATHLETICS CODES OF CONDUCT

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In registering as an Athlete member (all types) of BC Athletics and within the context of the activities of Athletics an individual agrees to take part in a spirit of fair play, honesty and within the rules and regulations of BC Athletics, Athletics Canada and the IAAF. As such the Athlete member is expected to:

1. Compete/participate in a spirit of fair play and honesty.
2. Compete/participate within the rules of Athletics.
3. Avoid the use, advocating, condoning, promotion and distribution of banned substances, cases and methods as outlined in the handbook on Drug Classification published by the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport.
4. Refrain from using tobacco products within the competition arena and/or competition area.
5. Refrain from using alcohol at athletic events (Athletics and other sport activities) or in victory celebrations at the competition site and of legal age in British Columbia, consume these products responsibly in association with BC Athletics social events.
6. BC Athletics has a “zero tolerance” policy with respect to the consumption of alcohol and non-prescription drugs by any athlete while a member of a BC Athletics team in a competition setting in Canada or overseas, under the age of 19, irrespective of any other legal requirements. This “zero tolerance” policy on the consumption of alcohol also applies to all BC Athletics team members (including team staff and coaches) while involved in a competition setting specifically for Junior and/or Youth athletes, regardless of the team member’s age.
7. BC Athletics has a zero tolerance policy for alcohol and nonprescription drugs in any BC Team Members room. Alcohol and non-prescription drugs in a Team Member’s room will not be tolerated and will result in an immediate removal from the BC Team and the competition, repayment of the all costs associated with the athlete’s participation on the BC Team and subject to any disciplinary measures as may be determined by the BC Athletics Discipline Panel and Board of Directors.
8. Abuse of alcohol and intoxication or drug abuse will not be tolerate and will result in an immediate removal from the BC Team and the competition, repayment of the all costs associated with the athlete’s participation in the competition and subject to any disciplinary measures as may be determined by the BC Athletics Discipline Panel and Board of Directors.
9. Refrain from using profane, insulting, harassing or otherwise offensive language in the context of the activities of Athletics.
10. Address fellow athletes, coaches, officials, volunteers, event organizers, spectators and others associated with Athletics in a courteous and respectful manner.
11. Avoid providing alcohol to under age individual.
12. Act in a manner that will bring credit to the Athletics Community and yourself, both within and outside the competition arena and/or competition area.
13. Respect an individuals’ dignity; verbal or physical behaviors that constitute harassment or abuse are unacceptable. (Please refer to the BC Athletics Harassment Policy) 6/15/2015
14. Ensure the safety of others when taking part in your Athletics activity. Individuals registering as Athlete members of BC Athletics are advised that by doing so they are agreeing to adhere to this and other policies, rules, regulations, by-laws and constitution of BC Athletics, Athletics Canada and the IAAF.