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; (3) understand that the Uniform Code of Military Justice shall apply as I am on official Department of Defense Travel Orders, and (4) 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, supplement, or product containing ingredients listed within the World Anti-doping Agency (WADA) prohibitive substance list. For more information or questions, please see your team medical staff or visit the WADA website at: http://www.wada-ama.org
- 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.
- act in a way that will bring respect and honor to the team, the U.S. Department of Defense, the United States and this championship.
- acknowledge that if I leave for any reason other than a family emergency, call back, or verifiable injury, I face consequences as stated in my affirmation.
- remember that at all times I am an ambassador for my sport, my country and the international military sports program.

Relations with the Media and Event, Team and Program Sponsors

The Armed Forces Sports Program benefits significantly from the support of the general public, corporations and the media. Recognizing that my primary responsibility is my competitive readiness, I nevertheless understand that it is in my personal interest, as well as that of my sport and the U.S. Military, to cooperate with the media and with event, team, and program sponsors. When requested by the Mission Chief of the Team, or his designee, I will participate in media and sponsor-related activities.

Anti-Terrorism Briefing

I acknowledge that I have received the Level 1 Anti-Terrorism Briefing (OCONUS travel). As a follow-up I have gone to the web site **https://atlevel1.dtic.mil/at/** to receive my refresher training that I need each year before traveling OCONUS.

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United States Military Athlete Code of Conduct Affirmation:
I have read and accept this Code of Conduct and guide to media relations. I agree to the rules and guidelines stated in these documents as a condition of being named and remaining a member of the U.S. Military Team. I understand that I am on official Department of Defense travel orders, subjected to the Uniform Code of Military Justice and that non-compliance of the expected standards of conduct by anyone representing the Armed Forces during higher-level trial camp or competition will result in corrective action as determined by the Armed Forces Sports Council Working Group or my Chain of Command. Actions by the Armed Forces Sports Council/Working Group may include but are not limited to: written reprimand, removal from official roster for that event, removal from the Armed Forces Sports program for one (1) year, and/or being permanently prohibited from participating in the Armed Forces Sports program. In addition, my command will be notified of the actions taken by the Armed Forces Sports Council/Working Group and I may be subject to further action by my command to include disciplinary action under the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

Signature Date

Printed Name Date