



CODE OF CONDUCT: MASSEURS, PHYSIOTHERAPISTS AND FIRST AIDERS

As a responsible Masseur, Physiotherapist or First Aider you will:

- abide by the UKA and EA Child Safeguarding Policy and Child Safeguarding Procedures
- abide by the UKA and EA Adult Safeguarding Policy and Adult Safeguarding Procedures
- respect the rights, dignity and worth of every athlete and others involved in athletics and treat everyone equitably
- make the athlete's health and welfare your primary and overriding concern
- keep your professional knowledge and skills up to date and be appropriately qualified and renew your licence as and when required
- ensure you have obtained an acceptable criminal record check (DBS).
- work within the ethical and professional guidelines of your governing/regulating/qualifying body
- act within the best interests of your patient, including referral to other professionals if necessary and do not offer or provide any treatment for which you are not appropriately qualified or trained
- ensure you have parental consent before advising/assisting/treating athletes under the age of 18 years
- cooperate fully with others involved in the sport including but not limited to technical officials, team managers, coaches, doctors, physiotherapists, sport scientists and representatives of the governing body in the best interests of the athlete
- consistently promote positive aspects of the sport (e.g. fair play) and never condone rule violations or encourage the use of prohibited or age-inappropriate substances
- never exert undue influence to obtain personal benefit or reward
- report any concerns you may have about any child's welfare to the TAC Welfare Officer, or EA/UKA Welfare Officers. (This does not affect your right to contact your local Social Services or the Police if you feel it is necessary)
- act with dignity and display courtesy and good manners towards others
- avoid swearing, abusive language and irresponsible or illegal behaviour, including but not limited to behaviour that is dangerous to yourself or others, acts of violence, bullying, harassment, and physical and sexual abuse
- challenge inappropriate behaviour and language by others
- never engage in destructive behaviour and leave athletics venues as you find them
- not carry or consume alcohol and/or illegal substances
- avoid carrying any items that could be dangerous to yourself or to others excluding athletics equipment used in the course of an athletics activity