

PATHWAY DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

Player Code of Conduct

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Table Tennis England is dedicated to creating an environment that nurtures the enjoyment and enthusiasm of every player within our sport through a safe, positive environment. We want to empower our players to conduct themselves with a sense of personal integrity based on the acceptance of rules, fairness, equality, and respect.

As a member of a Pathway Development Centre, I agree to:

For myself

- Always strive to show the best version of myself
- Refrain from inappropriate conduct towards equipment or others, including physical, verbal, written or emotional, in person or through use of social media
- Always set a good example with my language and behaviour
- Always be on time
- Always respect players and coaches
- Conduct myself in a manner that takes all reasonable measures to protect my own safety and the safety of others
- Report inappropriate behaviour or risky situations to a member of staff
- Cooperate fully with my coaches in the PDC environment and any wider events I am tasked with attending.
- Cooperate and engage with any programmes I am tasked to complete or attend (e.g.. physical programme, educational workshops)
- Commit to the behaviours we expect in our programmes listed below:
 - *Passion & Drive* – show I am driven to develop and excel to the next stage
 - *Resilience* – keep fighting to improve even if I have a bad training session/tournament
 - *Curiosity* – not be afraid of trying new things and being creative with my game
 - *Self Management* – take responsibility for things I may need at training/events
 - *Gratitude & Respect* – respect the coaches, players, parents, and officials around me
 - *Adaptability* – show I can adapt to new situations/tasks in training/events
 - *Thrive in Competition* – show my love of competing and always act professional
 - *Takes care* – take care of others around me and support my teammates

More information on the behaviours will be provided.

My equipment

- Ensure my equipment and attire is safe, well maintained, and fit for purpose in training and competition

Domestic competitions

- PDC players will be required to compete in events that are relevant to their current age and stage (e.g., 1*/2*/4* events, leagues, national championships) – *guided by the PDC coaching team*
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PDC training

- Players will be required to attend all training opportunities provided to them, unless there is a valid reason behind why they are unable to attend and this is discussed with coaches in advance
- During training, players are expected to meet the standards and behaviours outlined in the previous sections

UKAD

- Players will be required to attend any UK Anti-Doping education sessions arranged for them

Agreement

By signing this agreement, I agree to abide by the code of conduct set out in this document. I understand that failure to abide by the code of conduct may result in any or all of the following actions being taken:

I understand that if I do not follow the code, action can be taken by Table Tennis England, and I may:

- be asked to apologise for my behaviour
- receive a verbal or written warning
- be temporarily removed from the PDC programme
- be permanently removed from the PDC programme

I have read and understood the above code of conduct and agree to be bound by it.

Parents should sign the document on behalf of players to confirm that the content has been discussed with and understood by the player.

Parent Signature: _____

Name of player (print): _____

Date: _____