



## Special Olympics Australia Social Media Code of Conduct for Athletes

Welcome to the Special Olympics Australia social media community! We're here to make this a positive and respectful space for everyone. To keep things friendly and enjoyable, we have a few simple rules to follow:

- 1. Be Kind and Respectful:** Treat others how you want to be treated. Use friendly words and avoid hurtful or mean comments. Everyone's opinions matter, so let's respect each other's viewpoints.
- 2. No Bullying or Harassment:** Bullying or being mean to others is not okay. Don't send messages, comments, or posts that make people feel uncomfortable, scared, or upset.
- 3. Think Before You Post:** Remember, what you post online can stay there forever. Before you share something, think about how it might make others feel. If it's hurtful or inappropriate, it's best not to post it.
- 4. Keep It Safe:** Protect your personal information. Don't share things like your home address, phone number, or passwords. And don't ask others for their personal info either.
- 5. Stay Honest:** Share truthful things. Don't spread rumours, lies, or fake news. We want our community to be a place where people can trust what they read.
- 6. Be Mindful of Others' Feelings:** Not everyone will agree on everything, and that's okay. If you disagree with someone, be polite about it. Don't start fights or arguments.
- 7. Respect Privacy:** Don't share private conversations or personal info about others without their permission. Respect people's privacy, just like you'd want them to respect yours.
- 8. Follow the Rules:** Each social media platform has its own rules. Make sure you follow them while you're here. If you're not sure, ask someone or check the platform's guidelines.
- 9. Report Problems:** If you see someone breaking the rules or being mean, let the moderators or administrators know. They're here to help keep things safe and friendly.
- 10. Have Fun:** Social media is meant to be enjoyable! Share positive things, make new friends, and spread happiness. Let's create a great online community together!

*Remember, when we're kind and respectful online,  
we make the internet a better place for everyone.*