



TAEKWONDO COUNCIL UK

Equity in Sports Policy

Our primary goal with this policy is to ensure that every individual is treated equitably and respectfully within the realm of Tae Kwon-Do. This policy extends to members, non-members, and visiting students, emphasising that discriminatory factors should never bar anyone from participating.

Guiding Principles:

- Fair and Sensitive Treatment: Every person, regardless of their gender, ethnic background, cultural heritage, sexual orientation, religion, or political beliefs, should be treated fairly and sensitively.
- Leading by Example: Recognize the influential role you play in setting standards. Uphold exemplary behaviour and conduct consistently.
- Rule Adherence: Do not manipulate the rules for personal gain, either for yourself or your club.
- Rule and Spirit Adherence: Encourage all players and instructors to adhere to both the rules and the spirit of the activity.
- Respectful Communication: Refrain from using offensive, sexist, or racist language.
- Anti-Harassment Action: Utilise your official position to take action against individuals who harass, abuse, or use offensive language toward participants, instructors, officials, and volunteers.
- Qualified Supervision: Ensure that suitable qualified instructors and officials are present to oversee activities, promoting good sportsmanship and technical skills.
- Safety Standards: Maintain equipment and facilities to meet safety standards.
- Respect for Other Clubs: Respect the rights and integrity of other clubs.
- Respect for All Involved: Demonstrate respect for players, instructors, officials, and other volunteers involved in the activity or competition.
- Fair Play: Avoid actions that seek to influence the outcome of an activity or competition through means not in accordance with the rules.
- Enjoyment Over Awards: Emphasize that sports are to be enjoyed for their inherent value, rather than focusing solely on awards.
- Best Interests of the Sport: When expressing opinions about the sport or any aspect of it, consider the best interests of the sport and all those involved in it.
- Resisting Unethical Influences: Refuse to succumb to illegal or unsporting influences, including banned substances and techniques.
- Promotion of Ethical Principles: Actively promote ethical principles within the sport.

We believe that these principles are essential for fostering an inclusive, respectful, and equitable environment in Tae Kwon-Do. By adhering to these guidelines, we aim to create a positive and fair experience for all participants.