



Special Olympics Volunteer Code of Conduct

- I will respect the rights, dignity and worth of the athletes, coaches, other volunteers, friends and spectators in Special Olympics.
- I will treat everyone equally regardless of sex, ethnic origin, religion or ability. I will dress and act at all times in a manner which will be appropriate to my assigned responsibilities and a credit to myself, the athletes and Special Olympics.
- I will display control, respect, dignity, and professionalism to all involved including athlete, coaches, opponents, officials, administrators, parents, spectators, and media. Profanity and taunting are subject to immediate ejection.
- I will provide for the general welfare, health, and safety of any Special Olympics athlete (s) in my charge during the course of my assigned duties.
- I will respect the property of hotels, dormitories, schools, athletic, recreational and dining facilities.
- I will report any emergencies to the appropriate authorizes after first taking immediate action to ensure the health and safety of the participants.
- I will not take part in the consumption of alcoholic beverages and/ or controlled substances during any Special Olympics training or competition. Nor will I take part in smoking or chewing tobacco at any verbal or physical abuse with Special Olympics athletes, staff, officials, or other volunteers.
- I will abide by the Special Olympics policy on the prohibition of dating athletes.

The Code of Conduct is designed to assist each volunteer in abiding by the philosophy of Special Olympics and its mission. Any volunteer who does not follow this Code of Conduct can be prohibited from participation in the event.