



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.

Terms and Conditions

I certify that the information provided is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I have not withheld any information that could affect my application unfavorably, if included. The information that I have provided may be verified, and I give permission to Special Olympics to make inquiry of others which may include a criminal background check to determine my suitability to act as a Special Olympics volunteer. I understand that Special Olympics may refuse to allow me to volunteer if I provided any incorrect information or omission.

The relationship between Special Olympics and volunteers is an “at will” arrangement, and I understand that my volunteer service can be denied, modified or terminated with or without notice or cause, at any time, at the option of Special Olympics or at my option and that Special Olympics may, in its sole discretion, decline to accept my application for volunteer with or without cause.

I grant Special Olympics New York permission to use my likeness, voice, and words in or on television, radio, print, film, on Special Olympics New York website(s), or in any other form, format, or media, to promote Special Olympics and its mission and to raise funds for Special Olympics.

By applying my signature to this form electronically, I hereby consent and agree that my use of a key pad, mouse or other device to click the “I acknowledge that I have thoroughly reviewed this form and agree to said terms and conditions” box constitutes my signature, acceptance and agreement as if actually signed by me in writing and has the same force and effect as a signature affixed by hand and that this agreement constitutes "a writing signed by you" under any applicable law or regulation, and shall be deemed for all purposes (a) to have been “signed” and (b) to constitute an “original” when printed from electronic files or records established and maintained in the normal course of business. I agree that I have not impersonated any other person or used a name that I am not authorized, by law, to use.