



# Athlete Code of Conduct

As an athlete paddling for any Greater Edmonton club or participating in any CanoeKayak (GERCKC) program I agree to follow this Athlete Code of Conduct.

1. I understand that I am an ambassador of GERCKC/SACKC, and that this Code of Conduct applies whenever I am affiliated with the sport of canoe-kayak. This includes traveling to, participating in, and traveling from all events sanctioned by GERCKC/SACKC, Canoe Kayak Canada and the International Canoe Federation. Events include competition, pre-and post competition social events, training camps and any other activity specified by GERCKC and SACKC.
2. I shall maintain a high standard of moral and ethical conduct, which includes: self control, responsible behaviour, and consideration for the physical and emotional well being of others.
3. I will treat others with respect and expect to be treated with respect in return.
4. I will respect an individual's dignity and acknowledge that verbal or physical behaviour that
5. constitutes harassment or abuse are unacceptable.
6. I will uphold the generally accepted standards of fair play and exhibit a high level of sportsmanship and team spirit. I will be modest in victory and gracious in defeat.
7. I will refrain from using profane, insulting, or otherwise offensive language.
8. I will not possess or use any illegal drugs.
9. I will not possess or use alcohol or tobacco in any form during any activity associated GERCKC/SACKC, Canoe Kayak Canada or the International Canoe Federation unless I am legally permitted to do so in the place where the event is located. All GERCKC/SACKC members, including athletes, volunteers, and staff who are legally permitted to consume alcohol and who choose to do so, must behave appropriately and consume alcohol responsibly.
10. I will reimburse the cost of any damage to equipment or any other property resulting from willful or negligent action on my part.
11. I acknowledge that the GERCKC/SACKC chaperones, staff and coaches are responsible for the athletes and they must follow established GERCKC/SACKC policies.
12. Any breach of this Code of Conduct will be dealt with according to the disciplinary policies of GERCKC/SACKC. Consequences may include but are not limited to: the athlete being sent home at his/ her expense; withdrawal of Athlete Assistance Program or other funding; expulsion from performance teams.

I have read, I understand, and I agree to abide by the standards established above.