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**Dumfries Cycling Club – 18 and over Code of Conduct**

We are committed to encouraging the participation, enjoyment, and enthusiasm of every member within our club. To achieve this, we rely heavily on our members to give their time and support in creating a welcoming, safe, and fun environment, that promotes inclusivity and diversity.

Club members are asked to always abide by this Code of Conduct.

**As a Member of the club, I will:**

* Take responsibility in ensuring that they are up to date with the rules for their cycling discipline, understand and adhere to them and encourage others to do the same.
* Comply with the Highway Code and public rights of way, whilst also respecting any environment in which you are involved in cycling activity, by respecting other members of the public, by not littering and by maintaining proper personal behaviour.
* Develop an appropriate working relationship with all club members based on mutual trust and respect.
* Encourage an environment that values the performance and not just results.
* Show respect to others involved in the sport including other volunteers, athletes, parents/carers, coaches, team manager, officials, and spectators.
* Follow all guidelines and policies laid down by the club, Scottish Cycling and British Cycling
* Display and promote high standards of behaviour and the positive aspects of the sport (e.g., fair play) and never condone rule violations or the use of prohibited substances.
* Never exert undue influence over an athlete to obtain personal benefit or reward.
* Always respect other officials’ decisions and never engage in public criticism of them.
* Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of age, disability, gender, race, cultural background or religious beliefs or sexual identity.
* Refrain from and never engage in bullying, intimidation, harassment or offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour.
* Report inappropriate behaviour.
* Members should not allow allegations to go unchallenged, unrecorded or fail to act upon them.
* Strive to be positive role models for others in the sport at all times.

**I have the right to:**

* Support in the reporting of suspected abuse or poor practice.
* Access to professional support services.
* Fair and equitable treatment by the club/Scottish/British Cycling.
* Be protected from abuse.

Breaches of the Volunteer Code of Conduct will be dealt with in accordance with the club’s, Scottish Cycling or British Cycling’s disciplinary procedures.

This is issued by instruction from the Committee of Dumfries Cycling Club. It supersedes any previous similar instruction. This instruction can only be reviewed and issued by the Committee of Dumfries Cycling Club.

Signed as authorised and accurate policy: Dumfries Cycling Club Committee – 27th November 2021. Review required by November 2022.