

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR REFEREES

POLICY:

1. IMPARTIALITY

A referee must be impartial at all times. They must not display or harbor favoritism or prejudices in behavior and expression.

2. COMPETENCE

A referee should be familiar with the rules and regulations governing the sport of judo. A referee should maintain their competency by being active in refereeing and keeping abreast of rule change and interpretations.

3. UNIFORM

A referee must be properly attired as required by the sporting code.

4. PROMPTNESS

A referee should be on the mat promptly before the contestants, and when attending meetings, clinics, or seminars.

5. ATTENTIVENESS

A referee must be attentive at all times and devote their full attention in officiating the contest.

6. MUTUAL RESPECT

A referee must respect the opinion of the other referees. Each referee should be able to express their own opinion without fear of ridicule or criticism from others.

7. TEAM WORK

All referees must work as a team in a cooperative spirit so that a contest may run smoothly without unwarranted interference. However, each member of a refereeing team should make independent judgments.

8. CRITICISM

A referee must not criticize other referees in public. Difference of opinion should be discussed with the referees concerned, or with the chief referee or referee committee.

9. FRATERNIZATION

A referee should minimize fraternization with athletes, coaches, and spectators. This is necessary to maintain an appearance of impartiality and to minimize the possibility of a confrontation.

10. COACHING AND CHEERING

A referee must avoid coaching or cheering of contestants.

11. CONFRONTATION

A referee must not have confrontations with athletes, coaches, or spectators. If a referee is faced with such a situation, they should make all attempts to evade it and direct the grievance via proper channels if warranted.

12. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

A referee must avoid any direct or indirect conflict of interest.

Recommended:

(Chairman, Referee Committee signature)

(Date)

Approved:

(President, Judo Alberta signature)

(Date)