



## Spectator Code of Conduct

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### Introduction

Taekwondo Council UK (TCUK) is committed to promoting a safe, respectful, inclusive, and enjoyable environment across all Taekwondo activities and events.

Spectators play an important role in supporting participants, volunteers, officials, instructors, and the wider Taekwondo community.

This Code of Conduct outlines the standards of behaviour expected from spectators attending TCUK-affiliated activities and events.

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### 1. Scope

This Code applies to:

- spectators,
- supporters,
- family members,
- guests,
- and visitors

attending or observing:

- competitions,
- training sessions,
- seminars,
- demonstrations,
- camps,
- events,
- and other TCUK-affiliated activities.

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### 2. Expected Standards of Behaviour

Spectators are expected to:

- behave respectfully and responsibly,
- support a safe, positive, and welcoming environment,
- demonstrate good sportsmanship and respectful conduct,
- encourage participants positively and appropriately,

- respect officials, volunteers, instructors, organisers, and participants,
- respect event rules, venue requirements, and reasonable instructions,
- support fair participation and participant welfare,
- and contribute positively to the reputation and integrity of Taekwondo.

Spectators must not:

- engage in abusive, threatening, intimidating, discriminatory, or offensive behaviour,
- use inappropriate or aggressive language,
- harass officials, participants, volunteers, or other spectators,
- interfere with the running of events or activities,
- or behave in a manner that places participants, spectators, volunteers, or the organisation at risk.

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### **3. Safeguarding and Welfare**

TCUK is committed to promoting participant welfare and safeguarding throughout all affiliated activity.

Spectators are expected to:

- support safeguarding and welfare arrangements,
- report safeguarding or welfare concerns appropriately,
- cooperate with safeguarding or event management processes where required,
- and contribute to a safe and respectful environment for children, young people, and adults at risk.

Current safeguarding contacts, reporting routes, safeguarding guidance, and support information can be found via the TCUK safeguarding section of the website:

<https://tkdngb.co.uk/en/members-area/safeguarding>

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### **4. Inclusion and Respect**

TCUK is committed to promoting:

- equality,
- inclusion,
- dignity,
- accessibility,
- and fair participation.

Spectators are expected to:

- respect differences,
- avoid discriminatory behaviour or language,
- support a welcoming environment,
- and contribute positively to inclusive participation.

Current inclusion guidance and support information can be found via the TCUK inclusion section of the website:

<https://tkdngb.co.uk/en/members-area/inclusion>

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### **5. Photography, Filming, and Online Behaviour**

Spectators are expected to:

- use photography, filming, and social media responsibly,
- respect safeguarding, privacy, and event guidance,
- avoid sharing abusive, offensive, or inappropriate content,
- and avoid online behaviour that may negatively affect participant welfare, safeguarding, or the reputation of TCUK.

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### **6. Breaches of this Code**

Behaviour inconsistent with this Code may result in:

- verbal guidance or warnings,

- safeguarding or welfare intervention,
  - removal from an event or venue,
  - temporary restrictions,
  - disciplinary action where appropriate,
  - or referral through safeguarding, disciplinary, or statutory procedures if necessary.
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## **7. Governance and Review**

This Code will be reviewed periodically to ensure continued alignment with:

- safeguarding standards,
  - participant welfare,
  - inclusion commitments,
  - governance expectations,
  - and best practice.
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## **Conclusion**

Taekwondo Council UK believes that positive spectator behaviour contributes significantly to safe, respectful, inclusive, and enjoyable Taekwondo participation.

All spectators share responsibility for helping maintain a welcoming and supportive environment for participants, volunteers, officials, and the wider Taekwondo community.

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## **Approval**

Approved operationally by: TCUK CEO & Safeguarding Team

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Subject to formal Board ratification at the next Board meeting

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