PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

The purpose of a code of conduct for parents/guardians is to establish consistent expectations for behavior by parents/guardians when their child is participating in any U.S. Ski & Snowboard activity. We expect parents/guardians to conduct themselves according to U.S. Ski & Snowboard’s core values of Grit, Excellence, Team, Fun, and Integrity, and abide by the spirit and dictates of this Parent Code of Conduct.

All parents/guardians must comport themselves in a sportsmanlike manner and are responsible and accountable for their actions while attending or participating in all U.S. Ski & Snowboard activities. Sportsmanlike conduct is defined as but is not limited to: respect for competition officials, resort employees, U.S. Ski & Snowboard members, and the skiing and snowboarding public, respect for facilities, privileges, and operating procedures, the use of courtesy and good manners, acting responsibly and maturely, and refraining from the use of profane or abusive language. Additionally, it is essential that parents/guardians provide coaching staff with respect and the authority to coach the team. We should all seek to support a sport experience that is transformational for each child in developing as an athlete and as a person.

During any activity associated with U.S. Ski & Snowboard, parents/guardians agree that their conduct will follow:

- Setting the right example for children by demonstrating sportsmanship and showing respect and common courtesy at all times to all athletes, team members, coaches, competitors, officials, parents, and all facilities.
- Honoring the health and well-being of their child as well as their competitors.
- Getting involved by volunteering, observing practices and cheering on all athletes.
- Refraining from coaching their child and any other athlete from the stands or sidelines during training and competitions.
- Understanding that criticizing, name-calling, use of abusive language or gestures directed toward coaches, officials, any athlete, volunteers, and/or any participant will not be tolerated.
- Respecting the integrity of staff, coaches officials, including when at competitions, allowing them to focus on their athletes.
- Treating staff, coaches, officials, and all athletes with respect and dignity.
- Not harassing or making inappropriate requests of staff or coaches, including but not limited to asking for special support or treatment for their child outside of medical or mental health needs.
All parents/guardians must follow the SafeSport Code, the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (MAAPP), and U.S. Ski & Snowboard’s Athlete Safety Policies when participating in any activity associated with U.S. Ski & Snowboard or a member club (see https://www.uskiandsnowboard.org/safesport-athlete-safety).

U.S. Ski & Snowboard reserves the right to restrict access to the “field of play” at a competition by anyone that has disruptive behavior during the competition.