



Code of Conduct for Adjudicators

1. Professionalism and Integrity

- Adjudicators must act with honesty, impartiality, and fairness at all times.
- Decisions should be based solely on the merits of the performance, free from bias or external influence.
- Confidentiality must be maintained regarding all event matters and participant information.

2. Safeguarding and Welfare

- Adjudicators must prioritise the safety and wellbeing of all participants, especially children and at-risk adults.
- Any concerns regarding abuse, neglect, or inappropriate behaviour must be reported immediately to the designated safeguarding officer.
- Adjudicators must comply with all safeguarding policies and procedures in place for the event.

3. Compliance and Documentation

- Adjudicators must ensure they have the appropriate checks and clearances (such as DBS or international equivalents) as required by the event organisers
- All event rules, regulations, and codes of practice must be read, understood, and followed.

4. Conduct and Behaviour

- Adjudicators must treat all participants, colleagues, and event staff with respect and courtesy.
- Any form of discrimination, harassment, or bullying is strictly prohibited.
- Adjudicators must avoid any actions or comments that could be perceived as inappropriate or unprofessional.

5. Conflict of Interest

- Any potential conflicts of interest must be declared to the organisers before the event.
- Adjudicators should not adjudicate categories where there is a personal connection to a participant.

6. Communication

- Feedback to participants should be constructive, clear, and delivered in a supportive manner.
- Adjudicators must not discuss their decisions with unauthorised persons.

7. Attendance and Punctuality

- Adjudicators are expected to attend all scheduled briefings and adjudication sessions promptly.
- Any absence or delay must be communicated to the organisers as soon as possible