



Northern Ireland Table Football Association

CODE OF CONDUCT

1. Introduction

This Code of Conduct applies to all participants in events organized by clubs or individuals under the umbrella of the Northern Ireland Table Football Association (NITFA). The term 'participant' is defined as someone who plays at one of these events. The term 'organiser' is defined as the person responsible for the staging of the event.

2. Standards

Many NITFA events do not use referees, it is therefore essential that participants should conduct themselves in a responsible and appropriate manner. Specifically each participant must:

- play with fairness, integrity and respect for their opponent at all times;
- be ready to play or referee at the times instructed by the event organiser;
- use equipment that meets the FISTF specifications;
- not refuse to play or referee;
- use their best efforts to win each match;
- complete each match unless there is a justifiable reason for not doing so;
- when refereeing be attentive to the match and use their best efforts to referee the match in accordance with the rules of the sport;
- when refereeing act impartially between each player;
- not at any time use obscenities, verbally intimidate or abuse any opponent, referee or other person;
- not at any time physically intimidate or abuse any opponent, referee or other person;
- not act dangerously or in anger by hitting, kicking or throwing game equipment or other articles;
- conduct themselves in a sporting manner at all times with due regard to the organiser, their opponents, and other persons.

If a participant is deemed by the organiser to have seriously breached the standards outlined above it is within the rights of the organiser to expel the player from the competition and nullify any results from that event.