**South West Cheerleading Championships**

**Code of Conduct for Participants, Coaches, and Spectators**

**1. Respect for Others:**

* Treat all participants, coaches, officials, and spectators with respect, regardless of differences in opinion, background, or ability.
* Avoid any form of discrimination, harassment, or bullying. This includes but is not limited to race, gender, sexual orientation, religion, or disability.

**2. Sportsmanship:**

* Display good sportsmanship at all times. Celebrate successes graciously and accept losses with dignity.
* Refrain from unsportsmanlike conduct such as taunting, trash-talking, or aggressive behaviour towards opponents or officials.

**3. Safety First:**

* Prioritise the safety of all participants and spectators.
* Follow all safety guidelines and regulations provided by competition organizers and coaches.
* Report any unsafe conditions or practices immediately to event staff or officials.

**4. Fair Play:**

* Compete fairly and honestly, adhering to the rules and regulations of the competition.
* Avoid cheating, including the use of performance-enhancing substances or tactics that give an unfair advantage.

**5. Cooperation:**

* Cooperate with coaches, officials, and event staff at all times.
* Follow instructions promptly and respectfully.

**6. Positive Environment:**

* Foster a positive and supportive atmosphere for all participants and spectators.
* Encourage and cheer for all teams, regardless of affiliation or performance.

**7. Cleanliness and Respect for Property:**

* Keep the competition venue and surrounding areas clean and tidy.
* Respect the property of the competition venue and refrain from vandalism or theft.

**8. Compliance with Regulations:**

* Adhere to all competition rules, guidelines, and regulations set forth by the event organizers.
* Failure to comply with regulations may result in penalties or disqualification.

**9. Responsible Behaviour:**

* Avoid the consumption of alcohol, drugs, or any illegal substances during the event.
* Behave in a manner that reflects positively on yourself and your team.

**10. Reporting Violations:**

* Report any violations of the code of conduct to event staff or officials immediately.
* Cooperation in maintaining a safe and respectful environment is essential for the success of the competition.

**Consequences of Violations:**

Violations of the code of conduct may result in penalties, disqualification, or expulsion from the competition, as determined by event organizers and officials.

Repeat offenses or serious violations may result in further disciplinary action.

By participating in this cheerleading competition, all participants, coaches, and spectators agree to abide by this code of conduct. Your cooperation is essential in ensuring a safe, fair, and enjoyable event for everyone involved.