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Code of Conduct (As amended at the Annual Council Meeting on 24 February 2018)

1. OBJECTIVES

- 1.1 To determine the Rules & Regulations pertaining to an acceptable standard of behaviour expected of the Federation's members.
- 1.2 To implement measures to ensure that sport is played in an equitable, ethical and fair environment.
- 1.3 To eliminate illegal actions and unwanted behaviours.
- 1.4 To promote respect for human dignity, right and social justice.

2. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

- 2.1 Unless inconsistent with the context, all words and expressions imparting the masculine gender shall include the feminine, words signifying the singular number shall include the plural and vice versa.
- 2.2 Unless already defined in the Federation's Constitution, the following expressions shall have the following meanings assigned to them:
 - 2.2.1. **Dress Code**
 - 2.2.2. The set of rules specifying appropriate clothing when representing the Federation.
- 2.3 In the event of any doubt as to the meaning of any of the provisions of this agreement, the interpretation placed thereon by the Executive Council shall be final and binding upon all members of the Federation.



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3. CODE OF CONDUCT

As an individual member or member organisation, I confirm that:

- 3.1 I will conduct myself at all times in a manner that will benefit and do credit to the Federation and where applicable, to the insignia under which I have been selected, as well as to the Federation as the custodian of this insignia.
- 3.2 I will behave in a manner that promotes a positive image for the sport, as befits an ambassador of the Federation. Such behaviour includes but is not limited to:
 - 3.2.1. A neat appearance at all times.
 - 3.2.2. The avoidance of bad or offensive language, and unruly behaviour.
 - 3.2.3. Respect for fellow members and travellers, in public places, at hotels, towards staff or hosts, for public and other people's property.
 - 3.2.4. Table manners.
 - 3.2.5. Respect for speakers at official functions, and the officials at competitions.
 - 3.2.6. Respect for the spirit of fair-play and non-violence.
 - 3.2.7. Appropriate behaviour at all times.
 - 3.2.8. A balance of pride of participation with the will to win.
- 3.3 I will subscribe to sporting behaviour that is at all times legally, ethically and morally irreproachable. Such behaviour includes but is not limited to:
 - 3.3.1. Respect for the spirit of fair-play and non-violence.
 - 3.3.2. Competing fairly at all times and refraining from resorting to unfair methods, cheating or unsportsmanlike behaviour.
 - 3.3.3. Respect and compliance with the International Practical Shooting Confederation's competition rules.
 - 3.3.4. Refraining from using any banned substances, as stipulated by the relevant authority, to enhance my performance thus providing an unfair advantage over fellow competitors.



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3. CODE OF CONDUCT (cont)

- 3.4 I shall avoid any kind of demonstration or political, religious or racial propaganda.
- 3.5 I will show respect for the national emblems of all countries, including but not limited to the anthem and flag.
- 3.6 I will not bring the sport into disrepute.
- 3.7 In the event that I am awarded National or Federation Colours, I accept that:
- 3.7.1. The conferring of this insignia is governed by the National Colours Board of South Africa and/or the Federation, as applicable.
 - 3.7.2. While competing in a match where other national / international teams are participating, I may only wear the shooting uniform at the match for which I was selected.
- 3.8 In the event that I am awarded National or Federation Colours, or receive a slot to an international match:
- 3.8.1. I will strive for group uniformity, unity and discipline at all times.
 - 3.8.2. I will adhere and respond to any reasonable requests issued by the squad manager or team captain, if applicable, with the exception of those relating to a shooting problem.
 - 3.8.3. I will adhere to the applicable Dress Code.
 - 3.8.4. The squad manager, if applicable, will be responsible for all negotiations with match officials during the competition, including scoring disputes, penalties and arbitration procedures but specifically excluding questions regarding course requirements.
- 3.9 I accept that in case of any violation of the provisions of this Code of Conduct, disciplinary measures as prescribed in the Federation's Constitution may be instituted and appropriate sanctions applied.