

# WELSH CURLING ASSOCIATION CODE OF ETHICS



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Promoting an ethical sporting environment

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## 1. SPIRIT OF CURLING

1. The Welsh Curling Association (WCA) is committed to the principle of following the Spirit of Curling:-

Curling is a game of skill and of tradition. A shot well executed is a delight to see and it is also a fine thing to observe the time-honoured traditions of curling being applied in the true spirit of the game. Curlers play to win, but never to humble their opponents. A true curler never attempts to distract opponents, nor to prevent them from playing their best, and would prefer to lose rather than to win unfairly.

Curlers never knowingly break a rule of the game, nor disrespect any of its traditions. Should they become aware that this has been done inadvertently, they will be the first to divulge the breach.

While the main object of the game of curling is to determine the relative skill of the players, The Spirit of Curling demands good sportsmanship, kindly feeling and honourable conduct.

This spirit should influence both the interpretation and the application of the rules of the game and also the conduct of all participants on and off the ice.

WCA members commit to following the Spirit of Curling in their curling both on and off the ice.

1.1. WCA members respect human rights, reject all forms of harassment and abuse, and agree to adhere to the WCA **Diversity, Equality, and Inclusion policy**.

1.2. WCA Members must adhere to policies published on the WCA website.

1.3. The WCA is committed to supporting the health and wellbeing of its members through the **Safeguarding policy**.

## 2. WELSH CURLING ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE

2.1. The WCA Committee will act with due care and diligence in carrying out its duties. At all times, the Committee will act with the highest degree of integrity, and particularly when taking decisions, they must act with impartiality, objectivity, independence and professionalism.

2.2. The Committee must refrain from any act involving fraud or corruption.

2.2. No member of the Committee, excepting the President, will receive any remuneration – financial or otherwise – for their committee work.

2.3. The Committee only accept tokens of consideration or friendship of nominal value, in accordance with prevailing local customs.

2.4. WCA members who express an interest in joining the Committee members must complete a Declaration of Interest form. An Committee member becomes aware of any conflicts of interest after completing the Declaration of Interest form, they must declare it at the start of any meeting, or if not known at the time, as soon as possible after and update their Declaration of Interest form.

2.5. The Committee will follow the processes for the election of candidates for position as stated in the WCA Constitution and adopt an overall manner of respect for other candidates.

2.6. The Committee will respect the principle of confidentiality.

2.7. Any breach of this Code of Ethics by a WCA member must be reported to any member of the WCA Committee. Any breach of this Code of Ethics by a Committee member must be reported to the WCA President.