

WYBT Code of Conduct

1. Purpose

Washington Youth Bowlers Tour values sportsmanship, fair play, skill development, and mutual respect among all players, tournament directors, bowling centers, and spectators.

This Code of Conduct has been established and adopted to ensure the guiding principles of WYBT are understood and met by all individuals associated with this organization and our events.

This Code of Conduct applies to all tournaments and activities associated with WYBT. These activities include, but are not limited to, tournaments, practices, WYBT-sponsored workshops or clinics, and any activities ran by other organizations under the WYBT banner.

The following codes of conduct will be strictly enforced.

2. Players Code of Conduct

Each player will ensure that his/her playing conduct is that of a young lady or gentleman fairly competing to the limits of his/her ability. To satisfactorily meet these responsibilities, the player is expected to:

- Respect the tournament directors and bowling center staff, following all building rules and regulations - ALWAYS respecting the property of others.
- Maintain control of his/her emotions, avoiding the use of abusive language or profanity, obscene gestures, humiliating remarks, and physical assault upon another person at any time.
- Respect your opposing bowlers and demonstrate appropriate gestures of sportsmanship during and after the conclusion of a game or match. Be humble in victory, proud and courteous in defeat.
- Abstain from ALL forms of harassment or bullying, both on and off the lanes. This includes but is not limited to: name calling, spreading rumors, persistent teasing, and humiliation; posting of derogatory or abusive comments, video, or images on social media; racial or sexist comments, taunts, or gestures; sexual comments, suggestions, or behavior; any unwanted physical contact. Everyone has the RIGHT to participate in sports without the threat of bullying or abuse.
- Realize, accept, and practice the principle that a bowler's reputation is built not only on his/her playing ability but also on the sportsmanship, courtesy, and manners of the individual bowler.

Any bowler compromising the integrity of the sport or the Washington Youth Bowler's Tour, whether on or off the lanes, may be subject to disqualification, suspension, or expulsion for the rest of the season. Remember, you not only represent yourself – you represent your family, your coach, and the sport of bowling.