



# **British Columbia Wrestling Association**

## **Athlete Agreement**

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# Athlete Agreement

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

An agreement between BC Wrestling Association and;

Athlete Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*For all BC Wrestling Juvenile/Cadet Team athletes, please have parent/guardian sign below confirming that they have read and understand this Athlete Agreement.*

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name: (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

This agreement is for the benefit of the athletes, coaches, and the BC Wrestling Association. It's purpose is to clarify the responsibilities of participants as well as the organization. We want your Team BC experience to be a positive one, and hope to assist by developing a fair understanding to provide guidance in achieving excellence.

The goal of the British Columbia Wrestling Association is to place athletes on provincial wrestling teams with a high probability of winning medals at the events.

**Congratulations on your achievement** in earning a position on the provincial team!

## **ORGANIZATION**

1. The BC Wrestling Association agrees to supply the select team athletes with coaching services, providing training opportunities, transportation, accommodation and registration cost for participation at the event.
2. The BC Wrestling team operates under the direct authority of the Team Coach who in turn is accountable to the Provincial Coach, and VP Technical.
3. Before any athlete is permitted to participate in training or competition, they are required to be a registered member in good standing with BC Wrestling.
4. Before an athlete is permitted to participate in training or competition after a significant or major injury rehabilitation, BC Wrestling requires the written consent from the athlete's physician.
5. Athletes are reminded that BC Medical Insurance is provided under family coverage until the age of majority. After that, it is the responsibility of the individual athlete to provide such coverage for themselves. Athletes must have proof of provincial coverage.
6. BC Wrestling is not liable for the costs of discretionary medical treatment taken outside of Canada.
7. Athletes are obliged to report all injuries and illness promptly to the BC Team coaches and/or BC Team doctor if applicable.

## **MEDICAL CONSENT**

1. Should a medical emergency arise whereby the athlete is unable to give consent for an emergency medical procedure, and if it is impossible or impractical to obtain consent of the next of kin, the athlete understand and agrees to delegate the responsibility of the consent to the attending Team coach.

## **INSURANCE**

1. BC team provides liability\* insurance for athletes while under Team BC jurisdiction.  
*\* Liability insurance covers second or third party negligence to a limit of 2million per annum*
2. Personal disability insurance and/or income replacement coverage is the sole responsibility of the athlete.
3. These insurance policies do not apply to non wrestling related injuries or accidents.
4. Specific detailed procedures for claims administration must be followed. For further information, contact the BC Wrestling Office at (604) 737-3092.

## **GENERAL RULES OF CONDUCT**

### ***BCWA Athletes shall :***

1. agree to abide by the rules, regulations, laws, and bylaws of BCWA, CAWA, the Province of British Columbia, Canada, any host countries, and host venues.
2. avoid any behaviour which would cause unreasonable disruption or interference in competitions, training camps, or preparation of any athlete for a competition; (i.e. fist fighting, abusive or foul language, etc. )
3. avoid theft or vandalism of any property, hotel rooms, dormitories, training facilities, and equipment; The athlete shall be held accountable for such actions and agrees to reimburse the BCWA directly for any such damage.
4. show respect to all people regardless of gender, colour, race, or creed. (ie be discreet in expressing and exchanging political, economical, and religious views in public)
5. avoid the use of banned substances that are contravention to the rules, regulations, and bylaws of BCWA, CAWA, and the IOC.
6. for athletes to submit to random doping control tests at competitions and at other reasonable times as requested by CAWA, the Canadian Centre for Drug-free Sport, or any other authority designated to do so by the CAWA; Failure to submit to such testing shall be grounds for immediate dismissal from BCWA membership.
7. avoid substance use, whether alcohol, or drug abuse and the use and possession of illegal drugs as defined according to the laws of Canada, and British Columbia.
8. participate in substance abuse counselling and /or "Drug Free Education" programs when requested to do so.
9. Treat opponents with respect.
10. Wrestle hard within the rules.
11. Exercise self-control at all times.
12. Respect the decisions of officials without gesture or argument.
13. Show good sportsmanship by winning with humility and losing with dignity.
14. Show that it is a privilege to represent their school, community, and province.
15. Recognize and applaud honesty and wholeheartedly the efforts of team-mates or opponents regardless of gender, colour, creed, or race.

### **Code of Conduct on the mat : *Athletes shall :***

16. shake hands with the referee and the opponent before and after the match;
17. not stop a match (Only the whistle of the referee stops a match);
18. use a handkerchief to "clear" the nose or the mouth;
19. not talk, not swear, and not make gesture to the opponent or the referee;
20. leave the mat immediately after the match.

### **Dress**

21. BC team members must bring appropriate clothing for official functions and the final banquet. All clothes should be neat and clean.
22. During travel, all team members are asked to dress appropriately. Sweat pants, torn blue jeans, or gym shorts are not suitable for travel.

### **Punctuality**

23. All team members are expected to be on time for all scheduled events. i.e. training sessions, competitions, meetings, etc.. For team co-ordination to work effectively, it is important for all members to be punctual.

### **Harassment**

24. Athletes shall not partake in any form of harassment.
25. Harassment can be defined as comment, conduct, or gesture directed toward an individual or group of individuals, which is insulting, intimidating, humiliating, malicious, degrading, or offensive.
26. Sexual harassment can be defined as unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favours, or other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature when;
  - submitting to or rejecting this conduct is used as the basis for making decisions which affect the individual; or
  - such conduct has the purpose or effect of interfering with an individual's performance; or
  - such conduct creates an intimidating, hostile, or offensive environment.

### **GRIEVANCES**

1. BC Wrestling policies provide an athlete grievance mechanism. The first level shall be the coach. Appeals are permitted up to the Appeals Committee.
2. On the matters of grievance, the decision of the Appeals Committee shall be final.

### **TRAINING & COMPETITION RULES**

1. BC Wrestling shall provide a comprehensive training and competition program designed to assist the athlete in their pursuit of excellence.
2. The athlete shall appear at all training sessions, camps, courses and competitions as requested by Team Coach.
3. The athlete shall always maintain a high level of specific physical fitness satisfactory to his/her coach and understand that failure to maintain such levels may result in disciplinary action.
4. The individual athlete accepts final responsibility for the observance of any signs of skin infections which must be reported to the coach.