



INTEGRITY FENCING STUDIO

CODE OF CONDUCT

Integrity Fencing Studio is a community centered fencing club that represents the traditional values of swordsmanship. All fencers and guests agree to abide by the precepts of good sportsmanship, respect, honor, and honesty and are expected to demonstrate these values with their demeanor while practicing at the club, representing Integrity Fencing Studio at tournaments and in their daily life.

Members and guests of Integrity Fencing Studio adhere to our Code of Conduct, hold one another to these values and standards, and be subject to its disciplinary provisions:

1. Members and guests acknowledge that coaches hold a role of authority and students follow their directions without exception.
2. When entering the practice venue, greet the coaches, other staff, club members and other fencers; do not interrupt lessons or bouts. When leaving the practice venue, give your regards to the Head Coach, other staff, club members and other fencers.
3. If you are late for training/class, join with the least amount of disruption. If you can't make training/class or scheduled lesson, let your coach know ahead of time.
4. Do not disrupt the operation of classes or lessons at any time.
5. Lose with honor and win with dignity. At the end of a bout, shake your opponent's hand with your non-weapon hand.
6. Respect your coach, your colleagues, your opponent, officials and spectators. Do not argue with a referee, opponent, instructor, or coach.
7. Less experienced fencers should ask more experienced fencers to bout. Experienced fencers should fence with less experienced fencers with patience and encouragement.
8. Control your actions and exercise good judgment to prevent harm or injury to other fencers and yourself.
9. Never point your weapon at anyone who is unmasked or unprotected. Always keep your weapons pointed downward when carrying them around.
10. Ejection - If at any time a fencer threatens the safety of other fencers, guests, or coaches a member of the IFS staff may immediately escort the threatening individual from the premises.
11. Severe unsportsmanlike behavior listed below will result in immediate suspension from the Club. You will be required to leave the facility immediately. You will be prohibited from using the facility until otherwise advised by the Head Coach.
 - Dangerously throwing equipment
 - Willful misuse or damage to club or personal property
 - Dangerous or vindictive fencing
 - Fighting, including shouting matches and threats
 - Failure to follow the directives of the coach(s), manager or club officer(s)

Coaches, fencers, guests, or staff who do not comply with the Code of Conduct may be subject to sanctions that may include exclusion from fencing activities, suspension of fencing lessons or expulsion from the club.

I agree to abide by the Integrity Fencing Studio Code of Conduct / Rules and Regulations, and be subject to the Code's disciplinary provisions.

Printed Member Full Name

Signature of Member (Parent or guardian if member is under 18)

Date