



# SCOTTISH OFFICIAL BOARD OF HIGHLAND DANCING

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## **CODE OF ETHICS FOR U.K. REGISTRATION SCHEME FOR TEACHERS OF REGISTERED COMPETITIVE DANCERS OF THE SOBHD**

### ***“INTERIM MEASURE FOR 2012”***

In this Code “Participant” means any organisation, body, association or individual with full or associate membership of the Board; any individual who is a member of an organisation, body or association with full or associate membership of the Board; any individual who is registered with the Board; any person directly connected to a body or individual who is registered with the Board.

### **GENERAL BEHAVIOUR**

1. Participants will display honesty, fairness and equality of opportunity in all relationships.
2. Participants will not engage in behaviour which undermines the status and esteem of Highland Dancing.
3. Participants will recognise the authority of judges and other officials and treat them with courtesy.
4. Participants will treat all other participants with respect, whether successful in competition or not.
5. Participants will not discriminate between other participants on the grounds of sex, ethnic background, religion or ability.
6. Participants should respect the competence of teachers and judges and should not engage in public criticism.
7. Participants will not compromise the integrity of any competition result by seeking to influence any judge's decision

### **WELL BEING OF DANCERS**

Participants will seek to ensure the well-being of the dancer at all times. In particular, teachers will provide planned programmes of preparation and competition for all dancers. Their implementation will recognise the safety and well-being of the dancer and participants will recognise that the health of the dancer is always more important than competition results. Participants will not be exposed to adverse public criticism.

### **TEACHERS**

Teachers will recognise a duty of confidentiality in their relationships with dancers.

Teachers will not compromise dancers by advocating an unfair advantage or by seeking to persuade them to change teachers.

### **QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERTISE**

Teachers / Judges will maintain their qualifications and expertise.

### **LEGISLATION**

Participants, who do not adhere to the above, will be subject to a penalty decided by the Board.

NAME OF SCHOOL.....(Please print clearly)

HEREBY ADOPT THIS DOCUMENT ON BEHALF OF ALL TEACHERS WITHIN THIS SCHOOL .

This Code of Ethics to be signed by all teaching faculty within the school.

Principal Teacher Signature.....

Additional teachers: .....

Additional teachers: .....

**Please sign and return to SOBHD Heritage House, 32 Grange Loan, EDINBURGH EH9 2NR.**