

Twin Cities Youth Rowing Code of Conduct Agreement

Twin Cities Youth Rowing provides the opportunity for young athletes to: participate in a competitive rowing program under the guidance of experienced coaches, engage in healthy social activities, learn how to cooperate in a team sport, and gain the discipline needed to achieve these goals. In the truest form of teamwork, TCYR athletes are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that does not compromise the goals of the team or club and their mission. To this end, all participants must agree to the following:

1. To demonstrate good sporting behavior. I understand that respecting other participants, coaches, officials, parents, other teams, and spectators is essential for amateur competition and fair play.
2. To attend and take part in all scheduled practices and activities. I understand that my absence may keep my teammates from practicing or racing, therefore I will be at practices consistently and on time. In the case of a necessary absence, I will let my coach know in accordance with the season's practice.
3. To accept and carry out the instructions of my coaches, regatta staff and officials, and designated chaperones during all TCYR-related activities, especially during travel.
4. To know and follow all safety procedures. I understand that safety comes first, and I will do everything in my power to ensure my own safety and that of my teammates.
5. To refrain from taking part in any activity that negatively affects the team, including (but not limited to) the use of alcohol, tobacco, and illegal drugs, possession of weapons, destruction of property, and theft.
6. To maintain good academic standing during the school year. Rowing is not an excuse to fall behind in school.
7. To act appropriately with all team members, including those of the opposite sex.
8. To discuss any problems or concerns that I have directly with my coach or (in his or her absence) a designated chaperone.

I understand that failure to follow instructions can result in my dismissal from the program, forfeiture of all fees and regatta payments and that I am financially responsible for any damage that I may cause when disobeying the rules and/or improper use of the club's equipment or facilities. A violation of this Code of Conduct agreement may result in disciplinary action, which may include suspension from TCYR and/or revocation of my TCYR membership.

Participant Signature: _____ Date: _____

AND I, the parent or guardian of the participant certify that not only have I read and agree to these terms, but that I have gone over them with my child in question and agree to enforce the terms of this Code of Conduct.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____