# **Code of Conduct for Family Member / Guardian / Carer**

**By signing below I agree:**

* That my athlete is involved in sport for their enjoyment and not mine.
* To ensure that all relevant registration forms are complete and up-to-date.
* That the athlete’s coaches are fully informed of the health needs of my athlete and informed of any changes.
* To drop off and collect my athlete at the agreed times and inform the coach if there is a change to collection arrangements.
* That my athlete is properly and adequately attired for the weather conditions for the time of year and the activity they are attending.
* To help athletes to work towards skill improvement and embrace the spirit of sport; and not force an athlete(s) to participate in any sport unwillingly.
* To encourage athletes to play by the rules of their sport and teach them that honest endeavour is as important as winning.
* To make sure that an athlete is never ridiculed, humiliated or shouted at for making a mistake at training or losing a match or an event.
* To set a good example by applauding other athletes and encouraging the athlete to have mutual respect for team mates and fellow athletes.
* Not to use foul or abusive language or harass officials, coaches or other athletes.
* To accept the official’s judgement and recognise the value and importance of volunteers, coaches, and officials.
* To abide by all necessary policies and procedures.
* To treat all athletes, volunteers, spectators, officials and Special Olympics Ireland staff with respect. Remember everyone has their part to play and is entitled to a safe environment to do so.

**Family Members / Guardians / Carers have a right to**

* Know your athlete is safe.
* Be informed of problems or concerns relating to your athlete.
* Be informed if your athlete is injured.
* Have your consent sought for issues or trips regarding your athlete etc.
* Have your opinions heard in relation to relevant Special Olympics issues.

**I have read Special Olympics Ireland’s Code of Conduct above and agree to abide by the guidelines**

Name of Club: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Athlete(s): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of family member / guardian / carer: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_ \_ / \_ \_ / \_ \_ \_ \_

**The Club Safeguarding Officer / Chairperson can be contacted if you have a concern regarding poor practice, health and safety or an allegation of abuse.**

**Club Safeguarding Officer:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Chairperson:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Insert photograph of club safeguarding officer