



## LincsQuad Spectator Code of Conduct (Aligned with BTF Rules)

### **Purpose**

LincsQuad is committed to providing a safe, inclusive, and enjoyable environment for all participants, officials, and spectators. Spectators play a vital role in supporting athletes and upholding the values of fair play, respect, and sportsmanship.

### **Expectations for Spectators**

#### **1. Respect for All**

- Always show respect to athletes, officials, volunteers, and fellow spectators.
- Refrain from any form of verbal or physical abuse, taunting, or unsportsmanlike conduct.
- Celebrate good performances from all competitors, regardless of team or outcome.

#### **2. Support Fair Play**

- Encourage fair competition and applaud effort, teamwork, and sportsmanship.
- Do not boo, heckle, or use offensive language or gestures.
- Trust the judgment and integrity of race officials and marshals.

#### **3. Safety and Compliance**

- Follow all instructions from event staff, marshals, and emergency personnel.
- Remain behind designated barriers and do not enter restricted areas (e.g., transition zones, course routes).
- Do not throw objects or create hazards for athletes or others.

#### **4. Zero Tolerance for Abuse**

- Any abusive, threatening, or disruptive behavior will result in removal from the event and possible further action.
- No tolerance for discrimination based on race, gender, ability, or any other characteristic.

#### **5. Venue and Environmental Responsibility**

- Keep the venue clean by disposing of litter responsibly.
- Respect local facilities, property, and the environment.

- Follow all venue-specific rules, including those regarding parking, smoking, and prohibited items.

#### **6. Alcohol, Drugs, and Prohibited Substances**

- The use of alcohol, drugs, or tobacco is not permitted in spectator areas.
- Spectators under the influence will be asked to leave the event.

#### **7. Positive Role Modeling**

- Set a positive example for young athletes and other spectators.
- Promote the emotional and physical well-being of all participants above any desire to win.

#### **8. Photography and Social Media**

- Respect privacy and do not obstruct athletes or officials when taking photos or videos.
- Do not use flash photography or live stream in ways that distract or endanger participants.

#### **Enforcement**

- Event officials and marshals have the authority to enforce this code.
- Violations may result in removal from the venue and/or bans from future events.

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**This code is based on BTF rules and best practices for sports event spectators. For full details on BTF competition rules, see the official <https://www.britishtriathlon.org/britain/documents/events/competition-rules/british-triathlon-competition-rules-2024.pdf>.**