

## CODE of Conduct Technical Officials/Judges

- 1. Be knowledgeable and abide by World Obstacle Bylaws and Regulations, Code of Ethics, Competition Rules and other World Obstacle policies, procedures and quidelines.
- 2. Be fair, consistent, and impartial to ensure equitable treatment for all competitors.
- **3.** Have a thorough knowledge of the rules and procedures for the particular event or position assigned and review them prior to a competition.
- **4.** Cooperate with fellow judges to conduct competition in a safe and professional manner. Be courteous and avoid confrontations or making derogatory comments to athletes, coaches, spectators, or other judges.
- **5.** Demonstrate respect and courtesy for other judges. Avoid interfering with duties assigned to other judges or publicly questioning the performance of other judges.
- **6.** Assist in correctly applying rules and support final decisions rendered by chief judges. Provide and accept performance feedback in a positive manner.
- **7.** Honor all assignments and agreements made for performance of judging and support duties.
- **8.** Do not discriminate against any individual or group on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, age, or other protected characteristic.
- **9.** Do not engage in harassment by making unwelcome advances, remarks, or display of materials where such would create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive environment.
- **10.** Do not fraternize with athletes or coaches, provide tips or comments which could be construed as coaching for any athlete, nor cheer for or provide encouragement to athletes or teams during a competition.
- **11.** Do not use tobacco products while in the field of competition, nor consume alcohol or drugs before or during a competition.
- **12.** Do not seek recognition or attention during a competition.
- 13. Conduct an honest self-evaluation after each competition to identify errors made and areas for improvement and be receptive to suggestions for improvement.
- **14.** All code of conduct breaches will be decided on by the World Obstacle Technical Officials committee. Not adhering to the code of conduct can result in a penalty fitting to the non adherence to the code. This can range from a verbal warning up until expulsion.