**To be eligible for membership in the Canadian Dancesport Federation the candidate will have to comply with the Code of Ethics as set hereafter:**

**Integrity and Competence**

* A member must treat other professionals, students and persons, whether they are CDF members or not, with integrity and respect.
* A member must take reasonable steps to maintain and enhance the knowledge, skills and personal qualities necessary to offer a competent quality of service and encourage public respect.

**Advertising and Solicitation**

* A member must not use false advertising. For example : < Learn from the Best >. He/she may advertise such things as qualifications, success in championships etc. – but not something that cannot be measured. He/she must not mislead the uninformed.
* A member should refrain from soliciting other members’ students.

**Independence and Integrity**

* A member holding a CDF Adjudicator’s Licence must not contact organizers and promise to bring students to a competition in exchange for a position on the Adjudicating Panel, or a position on the Adjudicating Panel for a person working in his/her studio.

**Impartiality**

* A member holding a CDF Adjudicator’s Licence should strive to ensure that his/her conduct, both in and out of the Competition Ballroom, maintains and enhances confidence in his/her fairness.

**DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS**

**Complaints**

* CDF will investigate and rule upon any question or complaint regarding the behaviour of any member of CDF within the guidelines of the Association rules.
* In receipt of a complaint, the CDF shall inform the individual complained against by mail. He/she shall have the right to answer such charges.

**Suspension**

* CDF may, if an infringement has been proven, impose a suitable penalty which may include suspension of membership in CDF, if deemed appropriate.

**Failure to follow the Code of Ethics may result in suspension from Membership and Adjudicating.**

The following may apply:

* First (1st) infringement A warning
* Second (2nd) infringement Suspension of three (3) months
* Third (3rd) infringement Suspension of six (6) months, or more , or

 Dismissal from CDF

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