

ATTENTION !!!

This is the Syracuse Charger Athletic Code of Conduct for all athletes. Please read both sides of this document. The code is clear and will be strictly enforced.

ATHLETIC CODE OF CONDUCT

Participation in athletics is both a privilege and a responsibility. Athletes earn recognition for their achievements as representatives of their team and the community. When an athlete accepts the privilege, he/she must live up to a code of conduct as outlined below. This applies both on and off crew property during the season and off-season.

As a prerequisite for participation in the Chargers' program, athletes and parents must sign a statement that commits the athlete to follow the established training rules and requires parents to do everything in their power to make sure their athlete abides by the established Athletic Code of Conduct. These forms must be signed at registration. The Athletic Code of Conduct is applicable all Charger rowing seasons.

I. TEAM RULES

Athletes are required to comply with the established team rules, procedures, and instructions of the coach. Coaches have the authority to suspend an athlete temporarily for failure to comply with rules and procedures or when the athlete's safety or safety of others require such actions. Permanent removal from the team may occur only after consultation with the Board of Syracuse Charger Rowing.

II. CITIZENSHIP AND SPORTSMANSHIP

Athletes are expected to follow the rules and policies including insubordination, inappropriate language, fighting, dishonesty, vandalism, stealing, and violation of the rights of others.

CONSEQUENCES for displaying poor citizenship and sportsmanship can result in a suspension ranging from one race to the balance of the current rowing season. That decision is based on the nature and level of severity as determined by the crew coaches and the Disciplinary Committee of the Board of the Syracuse Charger Rowing.

III. SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICY

The use and/or possession of tobacco, alcohol, and illegal drugs is prohibited. If an athlete is reported, the following procedure will be implemented.

- 1. The athlete's parents/guardian will be notified immediately.**
- 2. A mandatory meeting with the athlete, athlete's parents/guardian, a member or members of the Board of Syracuse Charger Rowing, and a member of the coaching staff will take place to discuss the violation. The meeting(s) will determine the problem and specify an individualized plan of action in response to the athlete's needs.**

3. If the athlete is found to have violated the substance abuse policy, the following penalties will be imposed:

- **Suspension length 10 days.**
- **The athlete will not attend practices.**
- The athlete will be denied participation in the next scheduled regatta.

III. TRAVEL POLICY

All athletes are responsible for making their own travel arrangements to races. The Chargers will not be liable for athletes while traveling. However, the coaches will do their best to ensure the athletes' safety at the race sites. Athletes' parents should provide their son or daughter with transportation both to and from race events. If the parents cannot attend the race, they must contact the parent who will be responsible for transporting their child prior to departing.

All athletes must remain in hotel rooms with other athletes or parents. Under no circumstances should any athlete enter a room of a non-Charger rower. In addition, no strangers are allowed in a Chargers' hotel room.

Athlete's Name: _____

Athlete's Signature: _____

Parent's Signature: _____