



## **VOLUNTEER WAIVER & CODE OF CONDUCT**

### **Volunteer Waiver**

#### *1. Verification of Information.*

The information that I provide may be verified and I give permission to Special Olympics New Zealand (hereafter referred to as SONZ) to make enquiries to determine my suitability to act as a volunteer.

#### *2. Information provided is true.*

I confirm that the information I have given in this application form is true and accurate.

#### *3. Confidentiality of Information.*

In the course of volunteering for SONZ I may be dealing with confidential information and I agree to keep such information in the strictest of confidence.

#### *4. Personal Information.*

I consent to SONZ collecting, retaining, using and disclosing personal and medical information for the purpose of involving me in the Special Olympics Programme, including the Healthy Athletes Programme. I acknowledge my right to access and amend this information. This is given in accordance with the Privacy Act 2020.

#### *5. Likeness Release.*

I give Special Olympics permission to use my photograph, video, name, voice or words to promote Special Olympics.

If you choose to opt out of the Likeness Release you are responsible for advising your club, photographers and event organisers at Special Olympics trainings and events.

#### *6. Police Vetting.*

I consent to SONZ forwarding my completed Request and Consent form to the New Zealand Police for vetting

#### *7. Emergency Care.*

If I need emergency medical care while I am participating in Special Olympics Activities I give permission to Special Olympics to do whatever may be necessary to protect my health and well-being, which may include emergency medical care and hospitalisation. (If you have religious objections to receiving such emergency medical treatment, please complete the Religious Objections form. and upload it below.

### **Code of Conduct**

Provide for the general welfare, health and safety of all Special Olympics athletes, unified partners and volunteers.



Dress and act in an appropriate manner at all times.

Follow the established rules and guidelines of Special Olympics New Zealand and Special Olympics International.

Report any emergency or any situation likely to cause harm to any individual or property. Reports of this nature will be given to the Special Olympics volunteer in charge, a Special Olympics New Zealand staff member who may be present, or to the Chief Executive Officer of Special Olympics New Zealand after taking any immediate action to ensure the health and safety of others.

Refrain from the use of alcohol, tobacco and illegal substances while involved in any Special Olympics event competition or training.

Act with consideration and good judgement in all interpersonal relationships, and with regard to the Special Olympics Dating Policy.

Fulfil the obligations of my volunteer and/or Unified Partner role.

Treat everyone involved with courtesy and respect, and make Special Olympics a friendly, positive and fun environment ensuring a positive experience is had by all.

Act in a responsible manner, set a good example for athletes, be an ambassador for Special Olympics in the wider community.

Be a responsible guardian of any confidential information I may have about others including athletes, unified partners and volunteers.

Address any concerns or complaints to the Special Olympics volunteer in charge, a Special Olympics New Zealand staff member who may be present, or to the Chief Executive Officer of Special Olympics New Zealand.

Respect the physical integrity of athletes and unified partners. This should not preclude any normal spontaneous expressions of warmth of celebration but expressions must be acceptable to all parties.

Not use my volunteer and/or Unified Partner role to promote personal beliefs if these are incompatible with Special Olympics principles.

Recognise that harrasment, bullying and discrimination is unacceptable.

Respect others right to privacy.

Abide by Special Olympics New Zealand policies as they relate to volunteers and Unified Partners.