



## Nakmas Code of Conduct for Parents/Carers

This code of conduct applies to all parents/carers at any training session or other event. Its purpose is to promote positive training and to protect students, parents and club staff from unpleasant situations, which may occur.

### Parents should:

- Focus on the child's efforts and enjoyment rather than winning or losing.
- Provide positive verbal feedback in training, grading sessions, and tournaments.
- Encourage students to participate within the rules and regulations of the martial arts. Congratulate all participants on their performance regardless of who they are or what the outcome.
- Leave the instructor to communicate with individual students during the session/event.
- Respect the decision of officials and teach children to do the same.
- Inform the instructor of any injury, health or welfare issue that they feel is appropriate for them to know.
- Ensure that their child/children arrive and are collected promptly for training and other events.
- Remember that children participate in martial arts for their enjoyment, not the parents.
- Treat everyone equally regardless of age, ability, gender, race, religion, ethnic origin, social status or sexual orientation. Everyone has the right to be protected from abuse.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person within martial arts.
- Report any concerns you may have in relation to a young person to the Club Welfare Officer.
- Challenge and/or report discriminatory behavior.

### Parents should not:

- Force their child/children to participate in martial arts.
- Ridicule or show up their child/children or other students for making a mistake or failing a grading.
- Question publicly the referee, judge, instructor or student's decisions within a tournament, grading or training situation.
- Use foul, sexist or racist language or gestures at any time.
- Leave their child/children at the training venue/event before the person in charge has arrived.
- Condone behavior that contravenes the codes of conduct.
- Bring young children babies to watch classes, unless they are quiet. If they start to make any noise or run about, parents should take them out of the sessions immediately.