

# Student Code of Conduct

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## Purpose

This policy outlines the behaviour, safety, and participation standards expected of all students attending Combat Academy UK sessions. It is designed to ensure a safe, respectful, and positive training environment for everyone.

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## Attendance and Punctuality

- Arrive on time for all classes.
  - Inform your instructor in advance if you are unable to attend for a significant period.
  - Remain in the training area until the session has ended and you are dismissed by an instructor.
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## Uniform and Equipment

- Always wear the official uniform or appropriate clothing for training.
  - Long hair must be tied back, jewellery removed, and no chewing gum during sessions.
  - Wear appropriate protective equipment at all times, as instructed.
  - Treat all equipment with respect.
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## Behaviour and Respect

- Always behave respectfully towards instructors, fellow students, volunteers, and members of the public.
  - Use appropriate language at all times.
  - Do not engage in threatening or aggressive behaviour.
  - Treat training partners with respect; all techniques and sparring should be controlled to avoid injury.
  - Cooperate with instructors, team members, and opponents.
  - Practice good sportsmanship; win with modesty and lose with dignity.
  - Follow all instructions given by the instructor promptly and safely.
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## Safeguarding and Safety

- Report any injuries, illnesses, or concerns to your instructor before the session starts.
  - Stay within the designated training areas at all times.
  - Follow all health & safety guidance provided by instructors.
  - Abide by all safeguarding policies, including not taking photographs or videos of other students without permission.
  - Understand that instructors are responsible for your safety during sessions, but you are expected to act responsibly and respectfully.
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## Participation and Effort

- Work hard and give your best effort in every session.
  - Focus on personal development, discipline, and skill improvement, not just grade or belt achievement.
  - Support fellow students and celebrate their progress.
  - Ask questions and seek guidance when unsure about techniques.
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## Membership and Licences

- Keep your membership licence up to date.
  - Pay training fees on time and in full.
  - Understand that participation in sessions without a valid membership is not permitted.
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## Club Culture

- Promote a positive, respectful, and inclusive environment.
  - Encourage teamwork, mutual respect, and personal responsibility.
  - Respect the club facilities, equipment, and all members of the club community.
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## Competitions and Events

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- Accept instructors' decisions regarding gradings, competitions, and other events.
  - Follow all safety instructions during competitions and club events.
  - Represent the club respectfully at all times, whether as a competitor, spectator, or volunteer.
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## Communication

- Ask for assistance or guidance from instructors when needed.
  - Inform your instructor or parent/guardian if any issue arises affecting your participation.
  - Respect private discussions between instructors and other students; do not interrupt the class unnecessarily.
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## Compliance and Disciplinary Action

- Adhere to all guidelines and policies issued by Combat Academy UK and the Cobra Martial Arts Association (C.M.A.A).
  - Understand that failure to comply with this Code of Conduct may result in suspension or termination of membership.
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## Policy Review

This policy will be reviewed every 3 years or earlier if required to reflect changes in legislation, safeguarding requirements, or operational best practice.

**Effective date:** 17/09/2025

**Review date:** 17/09/2028