#### **IOMTTA**

# Code of Conduct for players and coaches

# September 2012

### **Introduction**

- The IOMTTA ("the Association") is keen to ensure that good standards of behaviour are maintained at all its table tennis events
- This includes when participating in league matches and/or tournaments on the Island which are organised by the Association and when representing the Association in table tennis tournaments and matches elsewhere ("Events")
- The purpose of this Code of Conduct is to outline how this will be achieved for all Events from the start of the 2012/13 season

## **Approach**

- Any individual participating in any of the Association's Events as a player or coach will be required to conduct themselves in an appropriate sporting manner:
  - Good standards of sportsmanship are expected at all times
  - Respect should be shown to opponents and match/tournament officials
  - o There will be no verbal or physical abuse of other individuals or equipment
  - Language and conduct should at all times be appropriate to a family sport, which includes a significant number of Juniors
  - Appropriate clothing should be worn
- Each Event will have a designated official (the "Designated Official") overseeing it on behalf of the Association:
  - o For league matches this will be the Match Secretary (or his designate)
  - o For tournaments it will be the defined Tournament Referee
  - For representative events it will be the Coach or other designated group leader
- Any actual or perceived breach of the Code of Conduct will be dealt with initially by the relevant Designated Official on behalf of the Association
- If necessary, for serious or repeated breaches, it will be brought to the attention of the Association's Executive Committee

#### **Sanctions**

- The Association will treat any incident on its merits, giving due consideration to the circumstances in which it arose
- The Association will have complete discretion to apply whatever sanction it deems appropriate to the incident, taking into account the previous conduct of those involved
- Potential sanctions to be applied to the individual or club involved will range from, but not be limited to:
  - Warning as to future conduct (verbal or written)
  - o Points Deduction
  - Exclusion from the Event
  - Non-selection for future representative teams
  - Suspension from participation in future Events
- In the event of a sanction being imposed the Individual concerned will have the right to appeal to the Association's Executive Committee. This must be done by the Secretary of the club which the individual represents.

**IOMTTA Committee** 

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