



## *Code of Conduct*

Esports is a diverse and thriving community, encompassing players from various backgrounds and skill levels. We believe in the power of inclusivity and strive to create an environment where everyone feels welcome to meet, compete, and grow. This Code of Conduct aims to promote a positive and supportive atmosphere, fostering good sportsmanship and leadership within our community.

### **Who is an esports player?**

An esports player is anyone who participates in competitive video gaming, regardless of skill level. Whether you're a beginner or a professional, these rules apply to everyone within our community.

We are dedicated to creating an open and welcoming environment where all players feel safe, have fun, and develop their skills. To achieve this, we must take personal responsibility for our behavior towards fellow players, tournament staff, spectators, and the wider esports community. These rules extend beyond matches and club events – remember, you represent our club and the spirit of esports.

### **Code of Conduct**

1. **Offensive Language and Expression:** Avoid using offensive language or expressing negativity towards other players, their actions, or their gameplay, regardless of whether they are teammates or opponents.
2. **Team Dynamics:** Support your team through positive and respectful communication.
3. **Violence and Threats:** Refrain from using language or actions that refer to sexual violence, violence in general, or threats of any kind.
4. **Cheating:** Cheating or hacking is strictly prohibited and will not be tolerated.
5. **Private Information:** Do not share your account information, personal details, or any information that could jeopardize the safety or privacy of yourself or others.
6. **Harassment and Discrimination:** Do not engage in any form of harassment, including but not limited to:
  - Offensive or unwelcome comments, jokes, or gestures
  - Sexual advances or propositions
  - Threats or intimidation
  - Discrimination based on race, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, ability, gender identity, language, religion, political opinion, sexual orientation, or any other characteristic.

### **Consequences**

Any violations of this Code of Conduct will be addressed in collaboration with Summerville High School administration and will be subject to disciplinary action as outlined in the Summerville High School Rules.