**Yorkshire Slalom Code of Conduct**

Everyone attending an event organised by the Yorkshire Region Slalom Committee, such as a coaching or dry training session is expected to meet a minimum set of behaviour standards.

Having a minimum set of behavioural standards ensures that everyone involved with our sport such as paddlers, parents, coaches and the wider community are not adversely affected by how we behave, both on and off the water.

Please read this statement and understand what we expect from you, and what you can expect from us.

We ask that you:

* Respect the rights and dignity of all others, regardless of their age, ability, gender, cultural background or religion
* Cooperate fully with your coaches and respect all reasonable requests made by them, or by supervising adults
* Do not behave in a manner that could bring harm to you or others
* Remember that you are representing Yorkshire Region and your own Club. How you behave and what you say and write will reflect upon you and others
* Do not instigate, participate in, or condone:
	+ Bullying
	+ Theft
	+ Racism
	+ Drug or alcohol abuse
	+ Discriminatory behaviour
	+ Intimidation or threatening behaviour
	+ Violence
	+ Deliberate damage to property
	+ Sexual harassment
	+ Inappropriate physical contact
* Participate for your own enjoyment – not just to please parents and coaches
* Have fun, but please be respectful to others, and to your environment
* Remember that the majority of people in our sport are volunteers who freely give up their time – please show them the respect and appreciation they deserve
* Speak to a responsible adult, or your club welfare officer if you feel unsafe, have an issue or are concerned about anyone else

In addition to meeting these standards, the Yorkshire Slalom Committee will:

* Treat you with dignity and with respect
* Do our best to help you enjoy our sport and to achieve your personal slalom goals
* Ensure that you will always be able to ask for help or guidance in a safe environment