



**Code of Ethics & Good Practice  
for Youth Sport in Gymnastics Ireland**

## **6: Code Of Conduct For Spectators**

**Spectators please remember:**

- Young gymnasts participate in gymnastics for fun. They are not miniature professionals
- Applaud all performances and efforts by your Club, gymnasts and opponents regardless of the result
- Respect Official's/Judge's decisions. If there is a disagreement, follow the appropriate procedure in order to question the decision and teach the young people to do likewise
- Encourage gymnasts to participate according to the rules and the Official's decisions
- Never ridicule or scold a gymnast for making a mistake during a competition. Always make positive comments
- Condemn the use of violence in any form, be it by fellow spectators, Coaches, Officials or the gymnasts
- Demonstrate appropriate social behaviour by not using foul language, harassing participants, Coaches or Officials
- Always uphold the principles of FAIR PLAY for all