

# The British Darts Organisation

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## SOCIAL NETWORK DISCLAIMER

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## **1.00 INTRODUCTION**

- a) This Code of Practice has been drawn up for the enablement of the BDO to disassociate with and/or moderate any content on social media networks or services that has not been directly provided by the BDO
- b) It is recommended that all BDO Member Counties adopt the principles of this Code within their own Constitution

## **2.00 SOCIAL NETWORK / SOCIAL MEDIA SERVICES - BDO DISCLAIMER**

Whilst the BDO Reserves the right to avail itself of the opportunities available on Social Networking and Social Media services such as Facebook, Twitter and others as deemed appropriate it hereby issues the following Disclaimer

- a) Any content, views, opinions and/or responses to questions uploaded, expressed or submitted by the creators, sponsors, advertisers or users of social media services and other public forums as utilised by the BDO, other than the content provided by the BDO, are solely the views, opinions and responsibility of the person submitting them and do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the BDO.
- b) The BDO is not responsible for content that third parties publish post, upload, distribute, disseminate or otherwise transmit via social media services.
- c) Whilst the BDO will endeavor to maintain the currency and accuracy of information published via its own social media services, the BDO does not warrant the accuracy, completeness or usefulness of the information available on its social media channels.
- d) Where provided, the BDO acts only as a passive conduit for the online distribution and publication of user-submitted material, content and/or links and expressly does not endorse any user-submitted material, content and/or links or assume any liability for any actions of participating users.

## **3.00 BDO WEBSITE LINKS - DISCLAIMER**

- a) The sites linked from the BDO Web site are not under the BDO's control, and the BDO does not assume any responsibility or liability for any communications or materials available at such linked sites.
- b) The BDO does not intend links on the BDO Web site to be referrals or endorsements of the linked entities; they are provided for convenience only.

## **4.00 OUTSIDE FUNCTIONS AND EVENTS**

- a) The BDO accepts no responsibility for any misleading information inaccuracies, misprints or cancellations of any events or functions that outside parties may advertise within user submitted material or on the sites linked from the BDO Website

## **5.00 TERMS OF USE**

- a) Whilst the BDO does not wish to stifle conversation on social media sites, users must not post or upload any comments or links to BDO-managed social media pages that are unlawful, or may defame, offend, interfere with privacy or infringe copyright or other intellectual property rights.
- b) The BDO reserves the right to moderate comments and may remove any comments that, in the BDO's opinion, are inappropriate.
- c) The BDO operate strict policies on discrimination and intimidation and therefore the BDO will take a strong stance on deleting content which is discriminatory, hateful or threatening and any writings or actions which may offend, insult, humiliate or intimidate.

## **6.00 REGULATORY PROCEDURES**

- a) The BDO shall appoint from the members of the BDO Disciplinary Panel a number of persons as deemed necessary who shall act as moderators for all BDO-managed social media pages and who shall have the authority to delete any postings that are considered to be out of compliance with the laid down Terms of use
- b) The authors of such postings may be deemed to have brought the good name of the BDO into disrepute and may therefore, at the discretion of the BDO Disciplinary Officer face disciplinary proceedings as laid down in BDO Code of Practice – DISCIPLINE

## **7.00 CONDITIONS**

- a) It is important to note that the aforesaid conditions of disclaim and terms of use are likely to change without notice

**8. 00 NON-ASSOCIATED SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORM POSTINGS**

- a) When comments are posted on Social Media Platforms not associated with the BDO that are deemed to be defamatory, abusive, aggressive, threatening or otherwise likely to cause personal distress to any BDO Board Member, BDO Officer or BDO Playing member or that are in direct conflict with the conditions of the BDO Social Network Disclaimer then the BDO will reserve the right to instigate disciplinary proceedings as laid down in BDO Code of Practice – DISCIPLINE against the author or authors of such postings regardless of wherever they may be published