



## **Social Media Policy**

Social media (including personal and professional websites, blogs, chat rooms and bulletin boards; social networks, such as Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter, and Instagram; video sharing sites such as YouTube, TikTok, Vimeo and DailyMotion) are common means of communication and self-expression.

It is essential that instructors, volunteers, and students make informed decisions about how they use the internet, mobile phones, and email communications to protect our schools and our members.

Everyone involved within West Midlands TAGB Tae Kwon-Do have the responsibility to safeguard both in and outside of the school when it comes to communications to protect our schools and our members. The following policies should be adhered to:

1. Refrain from publishing comments about other schools / clubs, athletes, or referees and any controversial or potentially inflammatory subjects.
2. Every care should be taken to ensure that names and personal details are not attached to photographs or video and that consent has been given for children under 18 and vulnerable adults.
3. Avoid hostile or harassing communications in any posts or other online communications. Harassment in any offensive conduct based on a person's race, sex, gender identity, national origin, colour, disability, age, sexual orientation, veteran status, marital status, religion, or any other status protected by law.
4. Instructors and members should identify all copyrighted or borrowed material with citations and links. When publishing direct paraphrased quotes, thoughts, ideas, photos, or videos, give credit to the original publisher or author.
5. West Midlands TAGB Tae Kwon-Do will be responsible for reviewing responses to online posts and resolving any concerns before they are posted.