

# ***Safe Sport Environment Policy***

## **Policy and Purpose Statement**

JJEU is providing a fun, healthy, inclusive and safe environment. Ju-Jitsu practitioners involved enriches the lives of everyone involved by ensuring that the training and competitive environment is one where athletes, coaches, officials and volunteers know they are safe, and are treated with respect and dignity.

JJEU believes that everyone in the sport has the right to enjoy the sport at whatever level or position they participate. Athletes, coaches, referee and other officials and volunteers have the right to participate in a safe and inclusive training and competitive environment that is free of abuse, harassment or discrimination.

JJEU believes the welfare of everyone involved in the sport is a foremost consideration and in particular the protection of younger practitioners in the sport is the responsibility of each individual, member and special interest group in the JJEU community.

## **Application**

Working in conjunction with partner organizations, the JJEU researches and defines standards and procedures, based on best practices, that ensures athletes, coaches, referees and other officials and volunteers are participating in safe and inclusive sport that is open, observable and transparent.

The framework for Safe Sport Environment focusses on the role, responsibility and practices of everyone involved in Ju-Jitsu to ensure the safety of and development of the athletes and establish procedures to prevent and mitigate practices and behaviours not respecting this policy.

JJEU education, training and certification programs, directed at officiating, coaching, parents and members development, will be consistent with and support the Safe Sport Environment strategy.

JJEU recognizes the critical role of the clubs, national member organizations, regions and Continental Unions in the delivery of Safe Sport Environment program initiatives.

## **Responsibilities**

Responsibility for enforcement lies on the:

- a) the JJEU General Assenbly to approve the policy and related mechanisms
- b) the JJEU Board to implement the mechanism and provide resources for working
- c) the JJEU National Members Organisations (JJNOs), authorities and officials within the JJEU to adopt and use the mechanism.

## **Approval**

This Policy has been approved by the JJEU General Assembly in Bucharest – Romania, May 30, 2019.