



NTCA POLICY

POLICY TITLE:	Competition Behaviour and Etiquette
POLICY STAKEHOLDERS:	All NT Parents, Audience Members, Participants and Coaches
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1. All NT calisthenics parents, competition audience members, participants and coaches are expected to observe a level of behavior at NTCA competitions that is appropriate and acceptable. This behavior includes, but is not limited to, the following:
 - I. BEHAVIOURS:
 - a) Respect all volunteers such as door people and marshals and obey their rules;
 - b) Observe theatre rules on where you can eat or drink;
 - c) Be quiet around the stage and backstage area, as you can be heard from most dressing rooms and in the audience;
 - d) Give recognition to all teams or soloists who perform on the stage, and remember not to call out the name of the team or performer. Adjudication is an anonymous process and the practice of calling out names weakens this process;
 - e) Personal items and valuables are your responsibility and should be left with a representative of your family or club (NTCA and Darwin Entertainment Centre will not be responsible for any losses);
 - f) Clean and tidy the dressing rooms at the completion of competitions;
 - g) Do not talk to the Adjudicator during the competition;
 - h) Flashlights, videos, cameras, mobile telephones or pagers are not to be operated in the theatre; and
 - i) Observe all Smoke Free designated areas.
 - II. ETIQUETTE:
 - a) Respect participants and fellow audience members by not talking whilst a team is on stage;
 - b) Stay in the theatre at the conclusion of the performances for all speeches and aggregate presentations; and

- c) Do not move around the theatre during an item.
2. All Coaches and Competitors should observe the following behaviours and etiquette at NTCA competitions:
- I. BEHAVIOURS:
 - a) Shoes and suitable clothing MUST be worn in the theatre at all times;
 - b) Do not lean or press against the walls when wearing leg tan or lipstick;
 - c) Competitors shall not sit in the first two rows of the theatre; and
 - d) Do not criticise your fellow competitors, officials or the Adjudicator under any circumstances.
 - II. ETIQUETTE:
 - a) For the comfort of those around you, you should refrain from walking around backstage in your body suit;
 - b) Critique sheets should not be opened/read within the Darwin Entertainment Centre; and
 - c) Remember, like all good sportspeople, uphold the adage 'the adjudicators decision is final'.
3. Anyone found to behave inappropriately at competitions will be warned by an NTCA official. A second warning will result in a report to the NTCA and a third warning will result in an investigation by the NTCA.
4. Anyone found to be behaving in poor taste and in contradiction with the etiquette sections of this policy will be reminded of the policy. Should the contradiction continue the coach of the club involved will be asked to review this policy on the spot.