All spectators should endeavour to meet the following behavioural requirements when at an event or attending a training session. There will be consequences for spectators who behave in an unacceptable manner which could include the spectator being asked to leave, and in extreme cases, where any spectator acts in a violent or unlawful way the police may be informed.

**Weightlifting spectators should:**
- Applaud participants effort as well as success, in particular when young lifters are involved in a competition.
- Accept and respect all decisions made by the Officials without question.
- Remain in designated areas.
- Be respectful to all lifters.
- Not criticise, offend or insult other people or use any abusive actions or language towards any other person
- Never make any negative comments or actions towards an individual or group regarding their race, gender, age, religion, disability, sexual orientation, social background or culture

**Spectators have the right to:**
- Enjoy and view a competition without interruptions or rude behaviour from other members of the public
- Support their lifters without abusive behaviour from others.
- Trust that the Officials will make fair and unbiased decisions.

This code is in place to ensure the safety of both the individual and anyone they come in to contact with. If at any time you have any concerns regarding the safety of any individual you should contact your Club’s Welfare Officer or you can contact the Lead Safeguarding Officer at British Weight Lifting, whose details are available on British Weight Lifting Website: [www.britishweightlifting.org](http://www.britishweightlifting.org)

All reports of misconduct will be taken very seriously and dealt with appropriately.