

# Japan Society of Physical Education, Health, and Sport Sciences: Research Code of Ethics

## [Aims and objectives]

The Japan Society of Physical Education, Health, and Sport Sciences (hereinafter, the Society) announced the establishment of the “Japan Society of Physical Education, Health, and Sport Sciences Research Code of Ethics” (hereinafter, Research Code of Ethics) related to research.

This research ethics code is a code of ethics that must be observed by all members of the Society, and based on this code they must return appropriately any intellectual property they obtain to the Society and promote the development of research. Research must always respect the human rights of research subjects, the social impact of the “Personal Information Protection Law,” the “Ethics Guidelines for Medical and Health Research Involving Human Subjects,” and the “Act for Eliminating Discrimination against Persons with Disabilities.”

Members of the Society must be aware of their social responsibility as researchers, and respect the human rights of research subjects, protect their privacy, and consider their disadvantages. They must be aware that advances in research are only possible with the trust and social understanding of the research subjects.

The Society has strongly urged its members to recognize and realize the ethical issues of research, and subsequently established the Research Code of Ethics.

## Article 1 (Ethical validity)

Members must comply with the Research Code of Ethics for research.

## Article 2 (Respect for human rights)

With respect to research, members must respect human rights to the greatest possible extent, and must observe the codes of informed consent for research subjects and informed assent in the case of socially vulnerable people.

## Article 3 (Protection of privacy)

With respect to research, members must be mindful of the protection of privacy to the greatest possible extent.

## Article 4 (Guarantee of fairness and trust)

With respect to research, members must preserve fairness and guarantee the confidence of society.

## Article 5 (Prohibition of discrimination)

With respect to research, members may not discriminate on the grounds of age, disability, race, skin color, gender, sexual orientation, language, religion, political or other opinions, country, community of origin, property, background, or other identities.

## Article 6 (Prohibition of harassment)

With respect to research, members may not carry out any form of harassment including sexual harassment and academic harassment.

Article 7 (Proper handling of research funds)

Members must handle research funds appropriately.

Article 8 (Prohibition of unfair practices such as copyright infringement)

Members may not carry out unfair practices such as copyright infringement, plagiarism, theft, or duplicate publication.

Article 9 (Management of conflicts of interest)

Members must endeavor to disclose the management of conflicts of interest properly.

Article 10 (Publication of research results)

Members must endeavor to publicize research results through the projects stipulated in the company statutes.

Article 11 (Guarantee of a safe place for mutual criticism and corroboration)

Members must endeavor to guarantee a safe place for mutual criticism and corroboration.

Article 12 (Publicization of the Research Code of Ethics)

The Society shall endeavor to publicize the Research Code of Ethics as widely as possible.

Supplementary Provisions

- 1 In order to respond to ethical issues in research, the Society will establish a "Research Ethics Committee."
- 2 This Research Code of Ethics can be altered through a meeting of the General Assembly of the Society.
- 3 This Research Code of Ethics will come into force on June 16, 2018.
- 4 This Research Code of Ethics will come into force on April 1, 2021.