



NATD

Code for Good Practice

September 2026

It is a condition of NATD membership that this code of practice is implemented in conjunction with the NATD Safeguarding Policy.

All NATD active members and volunteers working with young persons under 18 years of age and/or vulnerable adults should have a DBS check in place, renewable every 3 years.

This code of good practice is the policy of the NATD to safeguard the welfare of all members and their pupils by protecting them from physical, sexual and emotional harm, thereby helping to ensure compliance with current child protection legislation.

CLASS/EXAM SESSION CHECKLIST – TEACHERS CHECK THE FOLLOWING:

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| 1 Ventilation | 5 Lighting | 9 Accident Book |
| 2 Sanitary & Hygiene Facilities | 6 Fire Exits | 10 Attendance Register |
| 3 Temperature | 7 Positioning of Electrical Leads | 11 Visibility of Fire Extinguishers |
| 4 Condition of all Equipment | 8 Condition of Floors & Seating | 12 First Aid Kit |

NATD CODE OF BEHAVIOUR – PROMOTING GOOD PRACTICE

DO'S

- Treat all people equally, with respect and dignity
- Always work in an open environment where at least one other adult is present (avoiding private or unobservable situations)
- Provide an example you wish others to follow
- Respect a young person's right to personal privacy
- Avoid situations that compromise your relationship with people of all ages
- Remember that someone else might misinterpret your actions however well intentioned
- Tell students, before any movement with touching positions, exactly what the intention is and ensure they agree and do not show discomfort
- Provide access for young people to talk about any concerns they may have
- Recognise that caution is required when dealing with sensitive issues such as bullying or abuse
- Record any accident/injury/unusual incident and any treatment given in an appropriate register

DO NOT'S

- Permit any abusive peer behaviour (e.g. ridiculing, bullying, misuse of social media)
- Allow anyone to use inappropriate language unchallenged
- Have any inappropriate physical or verbal contact with others
- Show favouritism to any individual
- Jump to conclusions about others without checking facts
- Make suggestive remarks or gestures, even in fun
- Allow yourself to be drawn into inappropriate attention seeking behaviour such as tantrums or crushes
- Let suspicion, disclosure or allegation of abuse go unrecorded or unreported
- Social media posts must not show other young or vulnerable people without parental/carers permission
- Teach beyond the mental and physical capabilities of any pupil

DO NOT IGNORE THIS GUIDANCE

FOLLOWING THE NATD CODE WILL SAFEGUARD BOTH YOU AND YOUR STUDENTS

PROMOTING PROFESSIONAL GOOD PRACTICE

Respect another teachers' business. Do not directly contact individuals with a view to "poaching" students.

Do not use choreography created by another teacher without their permission.

Avoid establishing a dance school close to an existing NATD school.