

## Summer Science Exhibition

### Code of conduct for flagship exhibition teams

#### Introduction

The Royal Society is committed to fostering an inclusive, safe, and respectful environment for everyone involved.

This code of conduct outlines the expected standards of behaviour for exhibit leads and their teams taking part in the Summer Science Exhibition, running from 30 June-5 July, including the set-up and take-down days on 28-29 June and 6 July.

#### Guidelines

Exhibition teams are expected to:

- Treat everyone, regardless of background, experience, identity, and perspective, with courtesy, kindness and respect.
- Be welcoming, patient and open to questions from everyone.
- Respect differing opinions and support open, safe, and constructive discussion.
- Respect personal space and consent, something to be mindful of particularly during hands on or interactive activities.
- Ask for permission before photographing individuals, especially children, and avoid photographing visitors with orange "No photography stickers".
- Keep you exhibit areas tidy and safe at all times, and treat shared facilities, like the Green Room, with respect.
- Read and follow all Health and safety and Safeguarding guidance provided as a part of your Exhibitor pack and act in accordance with this.

Any form of discrimination, harassment or bullying behaviour towards any other person will not be tolerated. Below are examples of unacceptable behaviours (this is not an exhaustive list):

- Offensive comments or discrimination relating to any protected characteristics.
- Unwanted physical contact, intimidation, violence, or any form of unsolicited sexual attention or innuendo.
- Excessive or irresponsible alcohol consumption, particularly at the Lates and Soirees, that risks safety or contributes to behaviour that breaches this code
- Intimidating, mocking, or belittling others, including dismissive or condescending language.

#### Breaches of the code

Any breaches of this code of conduct may result in the individual or team being asked to leave the exhibition. The Royal Society reserves the right to take further action if necessary.

If you experience or witness behaviour that goes against this code, please report it to a member of the Royal Society team as soon as possible. All reports will be handled sensitively and appropriately.

Thank you for helping us make the Summer Science Exhibition a safe, inclusive, and enjoyable experience for all.

#### Contact

Please do get in touch if you have any queries or concerns.

#### Exhibition team

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