

# THE 10 COMMITMENTS FOR OUTDOOR SPORTS IN EUROPE

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*The signatories of this Charter:*

*Recognise and are aware of the diversity of approaches, culture and regulations within different countries across Europe  
Consider there is a need to improve the strategic development of outdoor sports in Europe*

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- 1 Outdoor sports for all**  
We will promote all aspects of outdoor sports that is fully inclusive for all types of participants.
- 2 Physical and mental health**  
We recognise and promote the evidence that outdoor sports have a positive effect on the physical and mental health of participants and effectively contribute to EU targets for Health Enhancing Physical Activity (HEPA)
- 3 Education and socialization**  
We recognise and promote the value of outdoor sports for education and social development, especially for young people.
- 4 Environmental awareness and conservation**  
We believe that outdoor sports must respect the environment to ensure sustainability and that outdoor sports can raise awareness of environmental issues.
- 5 Safety of participants**  
We believe in the importance of training, qualification and independent accreditation in outdoor sports to ensure the safety of practitioners, especially the youngest and least experienced.
- 6 Employment and impact on the local and global economy**  
We believe that outdoor sports can support economic and business development for territories and contribute to sustainable job creation.
- 7 Tourism and culture**  
We believe that the strategic development of tourism from outdoor sports creates opportunities to discover and value the natural sites of European member states.
- 8 Access to areas and sites**  
We believe that natural areas should be accessible for sustainable and responsible activities but that at times appropriate regulations and limitations may be considered in collaboration with all parties involved.
- 9 Professional mobility in the European Union**  
We believe in the mobility of outdoor sports professionals and the exchange of good practice.
- 10 Innovation and social inclusion**  
We believe that outdoor sports contribute to European citizenship and encourage social and cultural cohesion. Innovation is important to meet the needs of present and future generations.

