

Campaign Rules:

Section A: Campaigning

1. Campaigning is defined as publicly promoting one's candidacy—including, interpersonal talks, chalking, and promoting a campaign website. Additional activities that shall be deemed to be campaigning for the purposes of a given election shall be defined at the discretion of the EC.
2. Addressing/ participating in public events by any candidate is not allowed without the prior permission of the election committee.
3. Posts should be removed one day before the set date of the election. (Cool off Period)
4. Campaigning by all the candidates shall stop one day before the set date of the election.
5. Usage of any social media websites is subject to the following rules:
 - a. Candidates are not permitted to post or comment anywhere except:
 - i. On your own Facebook timeline and Batch Groups. To post any content from your profile you must get the content approved from EC before posting.
 - b. All online activity (mails/posts/comments/tweets/instagram posts etc) except as mentioned in point 5 (a) (i).
 - c. Some guidelines for posting anything are mentioned here. You need to stick to the following:
 - i. Do not abuse or demean any candidate. Maintain the decorum.

- ii. No one is supposed to tag any EC members anywhere.
 - iii. Candidates are not allowed to post anywhere else unless asked by EC.
 - iv. Candidates are not supposed to use your present position as a means to reach out to individuals.
 - v. Candidates are not supposed to put any post/mail related to your own credibility/story or related to your work for the position that you are currently holding in Gymkhana.
6. Usage of bias towards a certain group of students based on language, religion, caste or creed as leverage for getting votes is prohibited;
 7. No form of personal endorsements during campaigning is allowed.
 8. Usage of anti-campaigning schemes against any other candidate by a candidate or his/her supporters is prohibited;
 9. Usage of any kind of monetary/ non-monetary incentives, directly or indirectly, is prohibited;
 10. Usage or suggestion of use of force/violence against a voter or group of voters prohibited;
 11. No candidate or supporters thereof shall be permitted to carry out processions, or public meetings, or in any way canvass or distribute propaganda outside the campus;
 12. No candidate shall, nor shall his/her supporters, deface or cause any destruction to any property of the campus, for any purpose whatsoever. All candidates shall be held jointly and severally liable for any destruction/defacing of any institute property;

13. The use of loudspeakers, vehicles, and animals for the purpose of campaigning is prohibited;
14. If the EC finds a candidate or a group thereof, guilty of any of the above violations, it can, at its discretion, bar the candidate(s) from ever applying for candidature in the future.

Campaign Violations:

1. All complaints regarding campaigning violations shall be directed to the EC(ec@students.iiit.ac.in) with preliminary proof. The EC shall send an acknowledgment of receiving such a complaint.
2. The EC shall conduct an investigation to determine the merit of the complaint and impose necessary sanctions. This will be completed in a timely manner.
3. An official statement of any campaign violations decisions shall be sent within a day of the decision.