

Code of Conduct for Parents and Carers

As a parent/carer of a child taking part in our sport, we'd like you to:

The essentials

- make sure your child has the right kit for the session
- try to make sure your child arrives to sessions on time and is picked up promptly; or let us know if you're running late or if your child is going home with someone else
- complete all consent, contact and medical forms and update us straight away if anything changes
- make sure your child wears any protective kit we provide for them
- maintain a good relationship with your child's coach and catch up with them as much as you can about your child's development
- talk to us if you have any concerns about any part of your child's involvement — we want to hear from you!

Behaviour

- try and learn about your child's sport and what it means to them
- take the time to talk to your child about what you both want to achieve through sport, remember that children get a wide range of benefits from participating in sport, like making friends, getting exercise and developing skills.
- listen when your child says they don't want to do something
- behave positively and let your children know you're proud of what they're doing
- think about how the way you react and behave effects not just your child but other children too
- in competition accept an official's judgment
- use social media responsibly when talking about what goes on at our club, by behaving in the same way online as you would in person
- talk to your child about embracing good etiquette and sportsmanship
- ensure that your child understands their code of conduct

As a parent/carer, we understand you have the right to:

- be assured that your child is safeguarded during their time with us - access any of our policies and procedures at any time
- know who the welfare officer responsible for your child is and have their contact details, be involved and contribute towards decisions within the club or activity
- know what training and qualifications our staff have
- be informed of problems or concerns relating to your child
- know what happens if there's an accident or injury, be informed if your child is injured and see records of any accidents
- have your consent sought for anything outside of our initial consent form, such as permission to go on trips or photography
- have any concerns about any aspect of your child's welfare listened to and responded to

We expect all parents/carers to follow the behaviours and requests set out in this code. If any parent/carer behaves in a way which contradicts any of the points set out above, we'll address the problem straight away with the parent/carer and aim to resolve the issue.

The management of the club reserve the right to limit access to our sporting facilities if a parent or carer is deemed to be purposefully disruptive/vexatious.

Continued issues and repeated breaches of this code may result in us regrettably asking your child to leave the activity, event or club permanently, something we never want to do.

Note: The term 'children', 'child' or 'Young Person' describes any person under the age of 18.

Signature of parent/carer:

Date: