



Child Protection
in Sport Unit

NSPCC

Code of Conduct for Children and Young People

Note: Where we refer to parents we mean parents and carers inclusively. The term children or child describes any person under the age of 18.

As a young person taking part in our club or activity, we'd like you to:

The essentials:

- ✓ Keep yourself safe by listening to your coach behaving responsibly and speaking out when something is not right
- ✓ When you are with us stay in places where you are supposed to be, don't wander off or leave without letting a member of staff know
- ✓ Take care of our equipment and premises as if they were your own
- ✓ Make it to sessions on time, and if you are running late let us know
- ✓ Bring the right kit to possessions and wear appropriate kit, hair tied back no jewellery
- ✓ Do not smoke or drink alcohol on our premises during practices, competitions or when representing us

Behaviour:

- ✓ Respect and celebrate difference in our club and do not discriminate against anyone else on the grounds of gender, race, sexual orientation or ability
- ✓ Report any incidents of bullying, including homophobia and transphobia to a member of staff even if you are a witness
- ✓ Treat other young people with respect and appreciate that everyone has different levels of skill and talent
- ✓ Make our club a welcoming and friendly place to be
- ✓ Support and encourage your team tell them when they have done well and be there for them if they are struggling
- ✓ Respect our coaches and staff and young people from other clubs
- ✓ Be a good sport, celebrate when we win and be gracious when losing
- ✓ Play by the rules and have fun
- ✓ Follow our online safety and internet use
- ✓ Get involved in the club, it is your sport too

As a young person taking part, we understand you have the right to:

- ✓ Enjoy the time you spend with us and know that you are safe
- ✓ Be told who you can talk to if something is not right
- ✓ Be listened to
- ✓ Be involved with the club
- ✓ Be respected by us and other team members and be treated fairly
- ✓ Feel welcomed, valued and not judged based on your race, gender, sexuality, or ability
- ✓ Be encouraged and develop skills with our help
- ✓ Be looked after if there is an accident or injury and have your parents informed if needed

We expect all young people to follow the behaviours and requests set out in this code. If any young person behaves in a way which contradicts any of the points set out above, we will address the problem straight away with parents involvement and aim to resolve the issue.

Continued issues and repeated breaches of this code, may result in us regrettably asking you to leave the event, activity or club permanently, for the welfare of other young people and our staff. This is something we never want to do.