A sample statement of acceptable use,



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Statement of acceptable use of Spond Communication Platform

Spond understands the importance of easy and accessible communication for groups arranging activities for children and young people. However, we recognise that relevant safeguards need to be put in place to ensure children and young people remain safe while communicating via Spond.

We ask that all parents / guardians spend a few minutes to read through and discuss this statement with their child and then sign and return this form to the Spond support team.

*Agreement of child / young person

- **1.** I will be responsible for my behaviour on Spond and will be careful with the content and communication I share.
- **2.** I will not use Spond to send anyone material that could be considered threatening, offensive, upsetting, bullying, grooming or that is illegal.
- **3.** I understand that I should only use Spond's communication channel to contact other users, coaches or volunteers. I will not contact them through other platforms or communication services.
- **4.** I understand that all my use of Spond media is potentially visible to moderators including Spond staff and guardians and that any issues involving my behaviour on Spond may be addressed by Spond staff and the safeguarding team.
- **5.** I will only share necessary personal information on Spond and will not give out the personal information of other users outside of the Spond app. (such as name, age, address or telephone number)
- **6.** I understand that these rules are designed to keep me safe, and if they are not followed my parents may be contacted and my access to Spond may be restricted or terminated.
- **7.** I am aware that if I am experiencing bullying behaviour, inappropriate contact or abuse online, I can contact the Spond support team via Spond app.



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Declaration – parent / guardian		
We have discussed this statement and		(print child's name)
agrees to support the safe use of the Spond app.		
Signature		
Print name		
Today's date		
Declaration – child / young person		

Declaration - child / young person		
Signature		
Print name		
Today's date		