

Code of Conduct for Children and Young People: In Person and Online

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



We would like all young people taking part in our club or activity to:

- Keep yourself safe by listening to your coach or group leader, behaving responsibly and speak out when something isn't right, or you are concerned
- Discuss the safeguarding policy and online acceptable use guidelines with your parents and follow this
- When you are with us, stay in the places where you are supposed to, don't wander off or leave without telling your coach or group leader
- Act safely while taking part in the activity, do not discriminate nor mistreat others
- Report any incidents of bullying or harassment, to a member of staff, even if you are just a witness
- Do not smoke or consume alcohol on our premises or during practice, competitions or when representing us travelling or in accommodation
- Follow our online safety policies and use the SPOND safe communication platform for all club or activity communication.

A young person taking part has 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's not right
- Be listened to and feel welcomed and valued
- Be encouraged and develop skills with our help and be safe in competitions or when travelling
- Be looked after if there's an accident, injury or incident and have your parents informed if needed



Communications via SPOND:

In accordance with the Acceptable Use on SPOND policy, when using SPOND to communicate by voice, video or text take the following precautions to ensure children's safety:

- Use the SPOND communication platform to communicate with coaches and group leaders. Communication should include a parent or guardian. Telephone numbers should not be shared
- Do not use SnapChat or other communication platforms to communicate with coaches or members of the activity group
- Direct contact with coaches, group leaders or volunteers should always have parental permission and should be kept to a minimum; the purpose for each contact will be clearly identified and agreed upon
- SPOND users should respect the private lives of others and not take or distribute pictures of other people if it could invade their privacy
- Coaches should maintain the contact with parents or children to be used for communicating information – such as reminding children or young people about upcoming events, which kit to bring or practice timings – and not to engage in conversation



We expect all young people to follow the behaviours and requirement 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 parent's 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 activity, event or club permanently, for the welfare of other young people and our staff. This is something we never want to do.

Signature of young person:

Signature of parent:

Date:

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