



CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PARENTS

We are fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the well-being of all our members. The Club believes it is important that gymnasts, coaches, committee members, club helpers and parents associated with the Club should, at all times, respect and show an understanding for the safety and welfare of others.

The essence of good ethical conduct and practice includes but is not limited to below: -

All parents/carers should:-

- 1 encourage your gymnast to learn the rules and participate within them
- 2 set a good example by recognising good sportsmanship and applaud all performances and never punish or belittle a gymnast for a poor performance
- 3 should not disturb a training session remaining out with the hall for the duration of training
- 4 should respect that the coach is the trained professional and requires to run the training session with the minimal of disruption. This includes parents/carers staying in the hall, using viewing galleries to distract gymnasts or commenting and/or criticising a coaching decision during a training session
- 5 share any concerns or complaints about any aspect of the Club through approved channels
- 6 always ensure your gymnast is dressed appropriately for training and has plenty to drink
- 7 keep the Club informed if your gymnast is ill or unable to attend events
- 8 ensure all fees and other money owed to the Club is paid on time
- 9 ensure your gymnast is signed in and out of sessions or that the appropriate consent is given to Club to allow your gymnast to leave the training session unaccompanied



- 10 ensure your gymnast is dropped off and picked up promptly from sessions
- 11 treat all participants equally, with respect and dignity, and do not instigate or participate in bullying of any form on other members, coaches, officials or their families
- 12 publicly accept officials' decisions.
- 13 help a gymnast to recognise good performance and not just results.
- 14 use correct and proper language at all times.
- 15 conduct yourself, when supporting your gymnast or when attending events home and away, in a manner that neither brings the sport or the Club into disrepute nor causes a participant, coach or official embarrassment or any form of upset.
- 16 when attending an event bear in mind the Club's position on the consumption of alcohol, especially if wearing clothing that can identify the Club. For clarification the Club does not encourage gymnasts or coaches, within legal constraints, to consume alcohol or smoke while representing the Club
- 17 note that when a gymnast is training or at events he/she is in the care of the Club and should not be taken away without the knowledge and consent of the person in charge.