

**Code of Conduct - Parents/guardians**

As a parent/guardian of a Club Member under 18 years of age, you are required to agree to this code of conduct.

As a parent/guardian you have the right to:

* Be assured that your child is safeguarded at all times during activity with the Club.
* Know who the Welfare Officer is and how to contact them.
* Be informed of the current Wavepower and appropriate safeguarding and welfare reporting procedures.
* Know that any concerns about your child’s welfare will be listened and responded to.
* Know that anyone training or looking after your child at a Club activity has the appropriate qualifications, checks and training.
* Be informed of any problems or concerns relating to your child raised by their coach.
* Know how to access the Club Policies, Rules and Procedures including the Club complaints process and who to contact.
* Provide your consent or otherwise for photography and trips away.

As a parent/guardian of a Club Member under 18 years of age, we expect you to:

* Make sure your child has the appropriate kit for training and competitions.
* Ensure your child arrives at sessions on time and is picked up promptly.
* Let a member of the coaching staff or team manager know if you’re running late to collect your child, if your child is going home with someone else, or you have made alternative arrangements.
* Complete all consent, contact, medical forms, and update the Club straight away of any changes.
* Respect the decisions made by your child’s coach, but understand you have the right to raise any concerns regarding your child. The Club will arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss your concerns.
* Remember that children get a wide range of benefits from participating in our sport, including making friends, having regular exercise, and developing new skills.
* Do not enter poolside or interrupt training or competitions unless in an emergency.
* Talk to your child and ensure they understand the rules of the Club and the sport.
* Ensure your child understands the Athlete Code of Conduct.

We expect certain standards of behaviour from all Club members and parents or guardians.

By signing this Code of Conduct you agree to:

* Behave positively as a spectator at training or competitions and treat others with respect.
* Give encouragement to your child and provide support when they are struggling.
* Respect and celebrate differences in the Club and not discriminate against anyone else on the grounds of gender, race, sexual orientation, faith, ability, or any other relevant characteristics.
* Respect officials, volunteers, and teams at competitions / events.
* Respect the committee members, coaches, volunteers and all club members.
* Understand that the use of abusive or inappropriate language, bullying, physical violence, or any other behaviour which affects others will not be tolerated at the Club.

Breaches of this Code of Conduct will result in disciplinary action being taken against you by the Club Committee and any behaviour which may be a criminal offence will be reported to the Police and any other relevant authority, by the Club.

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| Name of child/children |  |
| Signature of parent/guardian  |  |