

Coolsportz Code of conduct for coaches, staff and volunteers

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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 member of staff or a volunteer at our club or activity, we'd like you to:

- ✓ implement our safeguarding policy and procedures
- ✓ report any concerns about or allegations of abuse or poor practice using our safeguarding policy
- ✓ listen to any concerns that parents or young people might have
- ✓ Not use your mobile phone or camera
- ✓ Turn up on time and not be under the influence of drugs or alcohol
- ✓ Be aware that the venue for the club is a no smoking venue
- ✓ consider your behaviour - do not engage in any behaviour that constitutes any form of abuse
- ✓ respect your position of trust and maintain appropriate boundaries and relationships with young people. Engaging in sexual behaviour with any child under the age of 16 is illegal
- ✓ keep any coaching and safeguarding training up to date
- ✓ keep children in your sessions safe by supervising appropriately, using safe methods and techniques and by putting children's safety first
- ✓ ensure equipment is fit for purpose, safe to use and accessible
- ✓ respect children's trust and rights whilst being honest and open with them
- ✓ Keep clear boundaries between your professional and personal life, including on social media
- ✓ champion everyone's right to take part and celebrate difference in our club or by not discriminating against anyone, regardless of gender, race, sexual orientation or ability
- ✓ stop play if an injury happens, administer minor first aid (only if trained) and call for help when necessary
- ✓ use constructive and positive methods of developing children's skills, without humiliating or harming them
- ✓ challenge and address instances of poor, negative, aggressive or bullying behaviour amongst young people

- ✓ lead by example when it comes to good sportsmanship, positive behaviour and commitment to the sport
- ✓ develop positive relationships with parents and catch up with them regularly about their child's development
- ✓ make our club a friendly and welcoming place to be

As a member of our staff/volunteer, we understand you have the right to:

- ✓ be informed of our safeguarding and reporting procedures and what you need to do if something isn't right
- ✓ enjoy the time you spend with us and be supported in your role
- ✓ have access to ongoing training in all aspects of your role
- ✓ be listened to
- ✓ be involved and contribute towards decisions within the activity
- ✓ be respected and treated fairly by us
- ✓ feel welcomed, valued and not judged based on your race, gender, sexuality or ability
- ✓ be protected from physical or emotional abuse from children or parents and be supported to resolve conflicts

We expect all of our staff and volunteers to follow the behaviours and requests set out in this code.

If any staff member or volunteer behaves in a way which contradicts any of the points set out above, we'll address the problem straight away and aim to resolve the issue.



Signed
 Name/Position...Neil Supperstone, Manager.....

Date.....12/7/23.....