



CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

Created by Warrington Rowing Club and NSPCC Child Protection in Sport

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 PARENT OF A CHILD TAKING PART IN OUR CLUB, WE WOULD LIKE YOU TO:

The essentials

- ✓ Make sure your child has the right kit, think about the weather and no 'hoodies' to be worn in the boat.
- ✓ Hi Viz outer layer must be worn at all times to ensure that boats can be seen
- ✓ Long hair must be tied back, preferably in a bun.
- ✓ Make sure your child arrives to session on time and is picked up promptly. Please let us know if you are running late or someone else is collecting your child.
- ✓ Complete all consent, contact and medical forms and update us straight away if anything changes.
- ✓ Maintain a good relationship with your child's coach and feel free to catch up with them about your child's progress.
- ✓ Talk to us if you have any concerns about any part of your child's involvement – we want to hear from you.

Behaviour

- ✓ Learn about your child's sport and what it means to them.
- ✓ Take the time to talk to your child about what you both want to achieve.
- ✓ Remember that children get a wide range of benefits from participating in sport, like making friends, getting exercise and developing skills. Its not all about winning or losing.
- ✓ Listen when your child says they don't want to do something.
- ✓ Behave positively on the bank, shout encouragement, say 'Well done', let them know that you are proud of them.
- ✓ Think about how the way you react or behave effects not just your child but other children too.
- ✓ Encourage your child to respect difference in the club.
- ✓ Lead by example when it comes to positive behaviour on the bank, let other parents take their cues from you as well as us.
- ✓ Accept the race officials judgement, and respect coaches decision making and selection.

- ✓ Use social media responsibly when talking about what goes on at our club, by behaving the same way on-line as you would in person.
- ✓ Talk to your child about embracing good etiquette and sportsmanship.
- ✓ Ensure that your child understands their code of conduct.
- ✓ Always use appropriate and respectful language.

AS A PARENT, WE UNDERSTAND YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO:

- ✓ Be assured that your child is safeguarded during their time with us.
- ✓ See any of our policies and procedures at any time
- ✓ Know who the Welfare Officer responsible for your child is and have their contact details.
- ✓ Be involved and contribute toward decisions within the club.
- ✓ Know what training and qualifications our coaches have.
- ✓ Be informed of problems or concerns relating to your child
- ✓ Know what happens if there is an accident or injury, be informed if your child is injured and see records of any accidents.
- ✓ Have your consent sought for anything outside of our initial consent form.
- ✓ Have any concerns about any aspect of your child's welfare listened to and responded to.

We expect all parents to follow behaviours and requests set out in this code. If any parent behaves in a way which contradicts any of the points set out above, we will address the problem straight away with the parent and aim to resolve the issue.

Persistent concerns or breaches may result in parents being asked not to attend sessions if their attendance is considered a risk to the welfare and enjoyment of young participants.

Continued issues and repeated breaches of this code may result in us regrettably asking your child to leave the session or club permanently, something we never want to do.

Signature of parent:
Print name:
Date: