

GOSPORT BMX CLUB

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PARENTS/CARERS & SUPPORTERS

Gosport BMX Club is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing and enjoyment of the sport of all its members. The club believes it is important that all members, coaches, other volunteers and parents/carers associated with the club should, at all times, show respect and understanding for the safety and welfare of others. It is essential that all people involved in cycling recognise and ensure that everyone has an equal right to participate in the sport. Members are encouraged to be open at all times and to share any concerns or complaints that they may have.

As a parent/carer or supporter of a member of the club, you are expected to abide by the following code of conduct;

Inform the coaches & club welfare of any specific health requirements or medical conditions of your child in through the completion of the club's registration form. This must be done prior to the first club activity they attend.

All children aged 12 and under must be accompanied at all times by a parent/carer or nominated responsible adult.

Support your child in ensuring that they arrive for club activities in good time to prepare properly for the published start time.

Ensure your child's bike is in a safe condition to ride and that they are wearing suitable kit, a securely fastened and correctly fitted full face helmet and gloves.

Encourage your child to learn the rules and ride and compete within them.

Discourage unfair play and arguing with officials.

Help your child to recognise good performance, not just results.

Set a good example by recognising fair play and applauding the good performances of all and by discouraging unfair play.

Never punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes.

Publicly accept officials' judgments and teach children to do likewise.

Use correct and proper language at all times. Never use threatening or abusive behaviour or language towards children, officials, coaches or other parents/carers or supporters.

Remember that children participate in sport for their enjoyment, not yours. Support your child's involvement but never force them to take part in sport.

Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.

Respect the rights, dignity and worth of everyone regardless of their race, colour, gender, marital status, sexuality, age, disability, occupation, religion or political persuasion.

Show appreciation and respect for coaches, officials, administrators and other volunteers. Without them, your child could not participate.

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Any breaches of the code of conduct should be reported to a member of the club's committee. Any persistent or serious breaches of the code of conduct may result in action being taken against the parent/carer or supporter.