

Code of Conduct for Parents, Guardians and Carers

We are fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the well-being of all our members. The club believes that members, coaches, administrators, and parents, guardians or carers associated with the club should always show respect and understanding for the safety and welfare of others. Therefore, parents, guardians or carers are encouraged and asked to be open at all times and share any complaints or concerns they may have about any aspect of the club with Coaches and/or with the Designated Welfare Officer, Tony Ford.

Parents, guardians and carers are an integral part of the safe and smooth running of Hinckley Olympic Gymnastics Club. As a parent, guardian, or carer we ask you:

- To encourage your child to know the rules and the Gymnasts Code of Conduct and participate within them.
- To ensure your child is fit to partake in gymnastics activity. Any child having had sickness or diarrhoea should refrain from training for 48 hours.
- To never force your child to take part in sport nor belittle them for mistakes or poor performance.
- Where your child is representing Hinckley Olympic Gymnastics Club at events or competitions, publicly accept officials' judgements and scores, set a good example by applauding the good performances of all and encourage good sportsmanship.
- To help your child to recognise good performance, not just results and support your child's involvement and help them to enjoy the sport.
- To ensure your child is dressed appropriately and has plenty to drink.
- To keep the club informed of any injuries or illnesses that may affect their safe participation in the session.
- To ensure payments of training fees, competition fees & annual insurance are paid on time. Failure to do so may result in the gymnast being excluded from training.
- To endeavour to establish and maintain good communications with the club.
- To share any concerns or complaints about any aspect of the club with the coach, Head Coach or the Designated Welfare Officer, Tony Ford.

- To behave respectfully to coaches, gymnasts and other parents, guardians or carers using correct and proper language at all times.
- To bring their child/children to the drop off point on time for the start of class and come to collect them promptly at the end of class. Children will be handed back by a coach at the end of the session. Please do not leave children unsupervised. It is the responsibility of the parent, guardian, or carer to look after their child until the class commences, and then immediately following the end of the class.
- Should you want your child to make their own way to the venue or home, they must be at least in Year 7 at school and your written consent must have been received and acknowledged via email by the Designated Welfare Officer, Tony Ford.
Under no circumstances will a child be allowed to leave alone.
- Never to take photos or videos without the consent of the Head Coach. All photos and recorded images must only be for personal use and cannot be shared on social media without the consent of all parents of gymnasts who feature in the photo.
- Not to enter the gym unless specifically requested to do so by the coach.
- To leave the foyer/spectator area clean and tidy.
To avoid any behaviour that could be perceived as intimidating. This includes threatening, bullying and bringing the club or its coaches into disrepute.
- To ensure that all changes in contact and emergency details are brought to the attention of the Office Manager and all updates must be provided in writing.
- To be responsible for the accurate content of the data held on the British Gymnastics and LoveAdmin systems.
Note: Hinckley Gymnastics Club will not be held responsible for incorrect/invalid contact details held within the British Gymnastics or the LoveAdmin systems. In the event of details not being fully or correctly populated, the insurance may be deemed invalid as such in the event of a claim, said claim may be rejected.
- To make sure that children do not bring items of value to the gym as Hinckley Olympic Gymnastics Club cannot be held responsible for lost or stolen items.

- If a parent, guardian or carer arrives to collect a child and there is a concern that their ability to take appropriate care of the child may be impaired (e.g. the parent, guardian or carer is considered to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs to the extent that she/he is unfit to drive, and/or take care of the child) the club will seek advice from the Police.