

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

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The adult volunteers, coaches, young people, and children at Glennearn Badminton Club ("the Club") should help to make badminton safe and fun. This is your job too. The conduct of parents and carers is important in promoting a positive experience for both their own child/children and for other children and young people participating in sport. This is about positive and supportive encouragement in general. Good spectator behaviour is one element of this. Poor behaviour by adults can distract children and young people and might even risk a child or young person dropping out of sport.

Our Code of Conduct for parents and carers is as follows:

- Encourage young players to play fairly and in good spirits.
- Encourage young players to respect the opposition and match officials.
- Let coaches do their job and do not confuse the players by telling them contradictory advice on what to do.
- Remember that children and young people play for enjoyment as well as competition.
- Remember that your behaviour might affect not only your child but the other children and young people participating.
- Stay outside the area of play when spectating.
- Never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, insulting, or abusive language or behaviour.
- Always respect any match officials' decisions.
- Applaud effort and good play as well as success.
- Never criticise a player for making a mistake. Remember that mistakes are an important part of learning and wellbeing.
- Abide by the Club's online safety and social media policy.
- Pass on any concerns that you have about the wellbeing of a child or young person to a Club official.

Breaches of this code may result in action being taken by the Club.

If you have any concerns about the wellbeing of a child or young person, you can contact:

- Our Child Wellbeing and Protection Officer, Sandi MacDougall on 01250 876882;
- Our Safeguarding Officer, Ross Paterson, by e-mailing Safeguarding.Glennearn@gmail.com, or;
- The Children 1st Parentline on 08000 28 22 33.