

RADLEY AC

Code of Conduct for Parents/Carers

The Club asks all parents to adhere to the following Code of Conduct to ensure all athletes are given the necessary support and encouragement to enjoy the sport and perform to the best of their abilities:

At Training:

- Ensure your child is directly handed over to their coach and collected from them afterwards. The Club will only take responsibility for athletes at the point they reach the coach.
- Encourage your child to learn the track rules and etiquette which will be given to them by their coach.
- Encourage your child to show respect to those that give up their time voluntarily to provide coaching opportunities for them, including
 - Letting them know when they are unable to attend*
 - Being well-behaved, doing as they are told and adhering to the coaches instruction which may have safety implications
 - Communicating respectfully with coaches to advise them if you decide to move your child to another coach/group within the club
- Never force your child to take part in sport.
- Support your child's involvement and help them to enjoy their sport.
- Stay, watch, participate (by offering help) and encourage athletes to complete a full and meaningful session. We always want more help!

At competitions (this also applies to all supporters' not just parents and carers):

- Encourage your child to compete – the club is inclusive and supportive of all athletes and abilities but expects members to compete in line with its membership policy
- Encourage your child to learn the rules of the sport 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 applauding the good performances of all.
- Never punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes.
- Publicly accept officials' judgements/decisions.
- Use correct and proper language at all times.

* If an athlete does not attend training and does not contact their coach for a period a 4 weeks their place may be reallocated to another athlete and if this occurs, it will result in them being placed back on the waiting list.

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