

WBSA Code of Conduct Policy - Parents/Carers

Note:

- The terms 'child' or 'children' apply to anyone under the age of 18.
- The term 'parent' applies to anyone with guardianship or caring and parental responsibility for the child.
- The term 'official or Staff' applies to Committee members, tournament directors, referees and volunteers.
- All players and officials will be responsible for all associated parties and associated parties will be held to the same conduct and disciplinary procedures.

As a parent of a child taking part in the WBSA we'd like you to:

The essentials:

- Promote the values, aims, rules and regulations of the WBSA by acting as its ambassador and advocate, and always presenting it and its members in a positive light.
- Sign and comply with all WBSA policies and contracts with your child and conduct yourselves accordingly.
- Respect all WBSA Players, Parents, Spectators, Referees and Officials.
- Make sure your child is dressed with the correct dress code.
- Take care of all premises and equipment as if they were your own.
- Make sure that your child arrives to all events and activities on time and is picked up promptly - inform us if you are running late or your child is going home with someone else.
- Let us know of any updates or changes to your child and to your contact details, medical forms and any special requirements that we need to be made aware of.
- Do not bully or show any intimidating language or behaviour to any Player, Parent, Official, Volunteer, Referee, Spectator.
- Build and maintain a relationship with your child's coaches and officials - have regular check ins to support your child's development.
- Talk to us if you have any concerns about any part of your child's involvement - we'd love to hear from you.

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- Report any concerns whether it be inside or outside of the WBSA to our Safeguarding Officers (Note: 55% of all safeguarding incidents reported to sporting associations come from outside of their sport. We are here to support you - please let us know) (Safeguarding@welshsnooker.com)
- Report your complaints if you have any (complaints@welshsnooker.com)
- Contact WBSA through the correct channels and not harass any Players, Parents, Spectators and Officials whether it be in person or online. (enquiries@welshsnooker.com)

Behaviour:

- Take time to talk to your child about their Snooker and what it is they want to achieve.
- Listen to your child if they say they don't want to do something and ask them why - sudden change in behaviour could indicate something more serious is going on.
- Behave positively and encourage your child and their peers.
- Let your child know that you are proud of them.
- Respect and accept the officials judgement and do not enter the field of play.
- Use social media and apps responsibly when communicating on our channels, in line with our code of conduct and social media policy. ([WBSA Safer Online & Social Media Policy](#)).
- Talk to your child about embracing sportsmanship.
- Encourage and console your child - win or lose.
- Use language that is positive not negative.
- Don't shout or give harsh looks when your child misses pots/makes mistakes - let your child go through their learning curve at their own pace.
- Know that your presence is enough - be grateful watching your child doing something positive with their life and not getting up to mischief.
- Encourage your child to play by the rules and never cheat - if your child has made a foul then the right thing is to always own up.
- Do not display any drunk and disorderly conduct or embarrass your child - you will be asked to leave.
- Ensure that your child understands their code of conduct policies and contracts.

As a parent we understand you have the right to:

- Know that your child is in a safe environment.
- 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 safeguarding officers are and have their contact details ([WBSA Safeguarding Officers](#)).

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- Be involved and contribute towards decisions within the WBSA.
- Know what training and qualifications our staff have.
- Be informed of problems and concerns that involve or affect your child.
- Know what will happen if there is an accident or an injury and how this will be dealt with.
- Be informed if your child is injured and see records of any incidents.
- Have any concerns you may raise listened and responded to.

WBSA expect all parents/carers to follow the behaviours and requests set out in this code. If any parent/carer behaves in a way which contradicts any of the points set out above, we'll address the problem with the parent/carer and aim to resolve the issue promptly. If we cannot then you will be asked to leave.

Persistent concerns or breaches may result in parents/carers being asked not to attend events if their attendance is considered a risk to our young participants, officials, volunteers, spectators, other parents and impacts on others enjoyment.

Continued issues and repeated breaches of this code will result in a possible ban from the WBSA. Breaches in this policy will be dealt with by the WBSA Committee.

Declaration of Consent & Compliance:	
I have read, understood and will fully comply with the WBSA Code of Conduct Policy – Parents/Carers:	
Signature of Parent/Carer:	
Print Name:	
Date:	



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