



Dunboyne Tennis Club

Child Safeguarding Code of Conduct for Parents, Guardians & Carers

Dunboyne Tennis Club recognises the key role played by Parents/Guardians and Carers in ensuring our Junior Members can enjoy tennis in a safe and fun environment. Your awareness of the Club's Child Safeguarding policy, including its Code of Conduct for Young People will be important in achieving this goal.

Your support of the Club's coaches and officials is important in achieving the safest possible environment for children to enjoy their participation in tennis and in promoting a spirit of fair play.

Code of Conduct for Parents, Guardians & Carers

Dunboyne Tennis Club believes that as a Parent/Guardian or Carer you should support the implementation of its Child Safeguarding policies by:

- Consider contributing your time and effort in the running of the Club. The Club cannot operate successfully and safely without the support of volunteers
- Understanding and ensuring your child/children abide by the Club's Code of Conduct for Young People
- Being available for specified duties if and when required; some duties are mandatory and form part of the procedures for safeguarding your children; some will be at the request of the Club.
- Respecting Coaches and other adults and their roles within the Club.
- Respecting and abiding by the decisions made by the Committee and Sports Leaders, these should be made in the best interests of the children in the Club.
- Being aware of the Club's complaints process and following the proper procedure if you feel unjustly treated, with the knowledge that any complaint will be dealt with effectively and confidentially.
- Knowing your child's training and/or competitive programme, and accept it is your responsibility to punctually deliver and collect your child/children.
- Ensuring that you do not leave your child/children waiting unsupervised at any time.
- Ensuring that the Club environment is safe and enjoyable for your child/children.
- Promoting participation for children that is fun, safe and in the spirit of fair play

- Being a role model for your children and young people by maintaining the highest standards of personal conduct when interacting with young people, other parents, officials and organisers.
- Allowing your child to focus their efforts and success in terms of their goals rather than winning being the main objective.
- Ensuring appropriate leaders are informed regarding any absenteeism, medical conditions or other relevant matters concerning your child.
- Arranging an appropriate time and place for discussing any matter with coaches/leaders; communication should not take place whilst coaches/leaders are in a position of supervision or responsible for other young people.
- Providing the Club with appropriate information in relation to your child to ensure their safe inclusion in the club and with emergency contact information and to be reasonably available in case of emergency.
- Abiding by the Club's Child Safeguarding policies with regard to the use of smart phones, any type of camera, videoing or recording equipment.
- Being aware of and abiding by the Club's Child Safeguarding Policy.

Please Note

- If you wish to raise an issue with a Coach this should be addressed with the Coach in an appropriate manner and not in front of children and young people

Declaration:

I have read the above Code of Conduct for Parents, Guardians and Carers and agree to abide by the guidelines as set out in the Code.

Name Parent/Guardian or Carer (please print):

Signature of Parent/Guardian or Carer:

Date: