



Parents/Guardians and Adult Code of Conduct

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Islwyn Gymnastics Club (IGC) Parents/Guardians/Adult Members Code of Conduct.

IGC is a place where members can come and have fun, learn the fantastic sport of gymnastics without having to deal with any discrimination, harassment or bullying. This code of conduct is the underlying set of rules that you as a Parents/Guardians/Adult Member must always adhere to. If you do not adhere to these rules you may be asked to leave IGC and play no further part in activities at IGC.

We are fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the well-being of all our members. The club believes it is important that members, coaches, administrators and parents associated with the club should, at all times, show respect and understanding for the safety and welfare of others. Therefore, members are encouraged to be open at all times and share any concerns or complaints that they may have about any aspect of the club.

As an Adult member, Parent or Guardian of a gymnast training in Islwyn Gymnastics Club, you are expected to abide by the following club rules:

- If your child takes part in club activities, encourage them to learn the rules and participate within them.
- Discourage and avoid challenging/arguing with official's.
- Do not approach gymnasts or parents of members or members from another club with a view of convincing of them to move towards IGC.
- Understand that the gym does not allow parents from remaining in the gymnasium during children's training as it causes a distraction for participants and may also pose a child protection issue.
- Understand that IGC reserve the right to withdraw any gymnast from a competition, including during the competition if the coach/coaches believe the gymnast is either not physically or mentally ready to compete. IGC will not compete any gymnast who cannot perform the skills required safely.
- Publicly accept officials' judgements.
- Help your child and peers to recognise good performances, not just results.
- To be a guardian of our **Core** values for your child until they are mature enough to fully understand and adopt those values for themselves.
- Set a good example by recognising good sportsmanship and applauding the performances of all.



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- You will not display threatening or intimidating behaviour towards IGC gymnasts, staff, volunteers or other parents/guardians.
- Understand that disciplinary action will be considered by IGC if the rules are systematically breached.
- Ensure you are familiar with the protocol expected when attending competitions.
- Never force your child to take part in sport.
- Always ensure that you or your child is dressed appropriately for the activity and have plenty to drink.
- Keep the club informed if you or your child are ill or unable to attend sessions.
- Endeavour to establish effective communication with the club for the benefit of all.
- Endeavour to familiarise yourself with the Club Welfare Officers.
- Share any concerns or complaints about any aspect of the club through the Club Welfare Officer or appropriate channels.
- **NEVER** punish or belittle a child for mediocre performances or making mistakes.
- Make sure you always collect your child promptly at the end of a session, gymnasts under 16 are forbidden to leave the gym alone.
- Support your child's involvement with IGC and Gymnastics.
- Help them to enjoy this sport and fulfil their full potential.
- Understand we have a **zero tolerance to bullying** and that if your child is found to bully any other member then the disciplinary action is immediate dismissal from IGC and termination of their membership.
- Follow all guidelines laid down by British Gymnastics and IGC.
- Parents are not allowed to enter the gymnasium at any time unless instructed to enter by a Coach or the Managing Director.
- No outdoor footwear to be worn by Parents/Guardians/Adult Members or Gymnasts at any time within the gymnasium.
- Please avoid distracting any coach whilst they are coaching ANY session. If you wish to discuss your child's development or their performance please inform the Managing Director who will ensure a conversation will take place asap.