



Knottingley Canoe Club

Parents' Code of Conduct

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Code of Conduct for Parents and Carers

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Purpose

Set out expectations for parents and carers supporting children and young people in KCC activity.

Scope

Applies to parents, guardians and carers of children and young people involved in KCC activity.

Document Content

Introduction

Parents and carers play a vital role in the success and enjoyment of their children's experience at Knottingley Canoe Club. This Code of Conduct outlines the expectations for parents and carers to help create a positive, safe, and supportive environment for all members.

1. Support Your Child's Participation

- Encourage your child to have fun, learn, and enjoy their time at the club, focusing on effort and improvement rather than just results.
- Praise good behaviour, effort, and performance, regardless of the outcome.
- Help your child understand that paddlesport is about personal growth, making friends, and developing skills.

2. Respect for Coaches, Volunteers, and Officials

- Show respect to coaches, volunteers, and officials at all times, acknowledging the time and effort they contribute.
- Recognize the authority of coaches during training sessions and competitions; allow them to coach your child without interference.
- Address any concerns directly and respectfully with club officials, away from the children.

3. Set a Positive Example

- Be a role model for your child by demonstrating good sportsmanship, respecting decisions made by coaches and officials, and using appropriate language.
- Avoid criticising your child, other children, coaches, or officials publicly or on social media.
- Encourage your child to speak to their coach or a club official if they have any concerns or issues.

4. Safety and Welfare

- Ensure your child arrives on time, with the appropriate equipment, ready for training or competition.
- Inform coaches of any relevant medical conditions, injuries, or special needs that your child may have.
- Be responsible for collecting your child promptly after sessions and events, or communicate any delays to the club.

5. Communication and Conduct

- Communicate any concerns or feedback through the appropriate club channels, avoiding confrontation in front of children or other parents.
- Support club policies, including safeguarding, safety, and welfare protocols.
- Cooperate with requests from coaches and club officials, including attending meetings or workshops designed to support your child's development.

6. Respect for the Club and Its Environment

- Help your child respect club equipment, venues, volunteers and other participants.
- Support a calm, inclusive and non-pressured club environment.
- Encourage your child to celebrate their own achievements and those of others, no matter how small.

7. Digital Conduct

- Use social media responsibly, avoiding any posts that could harm the reputation of the club, its members, or other children.
- Do not share photos or videos of children other than your own without permission from the child's parent or carer.

8. Alcohol, Drugs, and Smoking

- Do not smoke, drink alcohol, or use drugs while attending club events, especially when children are present.
- Set a positive example in behaviour and lifestyle choices that reflect the values of the club.

Changelog:

- 2026-05-11: Reworded one junior-facing paragraph so it clearly applies to parents and carers.
- 2026-05-11: Reformatted conduct expectations into bullet lists for readability.
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