

15. CODE OF CONDUCT

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN IN CURLING

A Code of Conduct has a number of important functions. It:

- Sets out what behaviour is acceptable and unacceptable
- Defines standards of practice expected from those to whom it applies
- Forms the basis for challenging and improving practice
- Helps to safeguard staff by encouraging them to adhere to agreed standards of practice
- Sets out for children and parents the standards of practice which they and the organisation should expect from those who work/volunteer with children

The RCCC supports and requires **all** members to observe the following standards of practice, including verbal and non-verbal actions when in involved in activities with children.

All concerns about breaches of this Code of Conduct will be taken seriously and responded to in line with current RCCC Disciplinary Procedures and/or Procedure for Responding to Concerns about Child Abuse.

This section contains Codes of Conduct for:

- Club officials and other volunteers
- Coaches
- Youth players
- Parents
- Spectators
- Technical officials

Codes of Conduct should be discussed and prominently displayed within clubs and venues.

Codes of Conduct should be discussed and talked through to ensure all persons who sign them fully understand the responsibilities set out within them and the consequences of breaching them

Signed Codes of Conduct should be stored securely in line with data protection.