

## 6e. PARENTS

### CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS:

#### Being a Supportive Parent

\_\_\_\_\_ Club is dedicated to nurturing the enjoyment and enthusiasm of every child within our sport, through a safe, enjoyable environment, recognising that children participate for fun and encouraging all of our teams to play to win, but not at all costs. It is important that children play games in the right spirit and in a supportive atmosphere which allows them to play to the best of their abilities.

In order to achieve this result we rely heavily on the parents/guardians who attend sessions to behave in an appropriate manner and to give their support in the right way. We therefore require all parents/guardians who attend \_\_\_\_\_ Club's sessions to read, understand, and sign a copy of this code of conduct, and to abide by it at all relevant times.

#### Supporting your Curler:

- Ensure your child is properly prepared – clothing, kit, equipment, foot wear, food, drink, etc
- Positively reinforce your child and show an interest in their chosen activity
- Encourage your child to have fun
- Encourage your child to play by the rules, and teach them that they can only do their best
- Ensure that your child understands their code of conduct
- Inspire your child to be the best they can be in both sport and in life
- Help them understand the important life lessons to be gained from sport, such as: leadership, handling adversity, teamwork, persistence and compassion
- Establish a positive relationship with your child's coach
- Behave responsibly on the side-line; do not embarrass your child

#### Supporting our Club:

- Complete and return the Registration, Medical and Activity and transport permission form pertaining to your child's participation with \_\_\_\_\_ Club
- Detail any relevant medical concerns or conditions pertaining to your child on the registration consent form. Any changes in your child's health should be reported to the coach/club staff as soon as possible BEFORE they next take part in a session
- Deliver and collect your child punctually before and after sessions/matches/events. And inform the organiser prior to the activity starting if your child is to be collected early
- Support the club by attending matches and fundraising activities. The club is run on an entirely voluntary basis

#### Supporting our team:

- Encourage all members of the team by applauding good play (not just points scored)
- Show understanding when players/the skip make mistakes or if the team loses
- Be positive. Discuss performances in a constructive manner at an appropriate time

- Focus on things the child did well, don't dwell on mistakes
- Do NOT shout out instructions to sweep, shoot, etc. Leave it to the coaches/skip
- Never use abusive language or behaviour to any player, including your own child
- Applaud the opposition for good play, not just your own team
- Respect the opposition players, coaches and supporters and make them feel welcome
- Respect the match officials' decisions
- Never argue with an official - even if you think their decision is wrong

**As a parent/guardian you have the right to:**

- Be assured that your child is safeguarded during their participation in sport
- Be informed of problems or concerns relating to your child
- Be informed if your child is injured
- Have your consent sought for issue such as trips or photography
- Contribute to decisions within the club
- Have any concerns about any aspect of your child's welfare listened to and responded to

Breaches of the Codes of conduct will be addressed and reported to the designated person at club level and at the RCCC (where appropriate). Persistent breaches or a single significant act will result in disciplinary action being taken which can include, any/all of the following action taken by the club or the RCCC:

- Be required to apologise formally
- Receive a warning; verbal or written
- Required to meet with the club, Welfare Officer or designated members of the club committee
- Monitored by a club volunteer/committee member/coach
- Obligated to leave the match venue by the club
- Obligated to attend an education course
- Requested by the club not to attend future games
- Suspended or have club membership removed
- Suspended or fined by the RCCC
- Required to leave the club along with any dependents

In addition:

The RCCC could impose a fine and/ or suspension on the club

I have read and understood the above Code of Conduct and I agree to be bound by it:

Signed ..... Name (print) ..... Date.....

