



LETTERKENNY BLAZE BASKETBALL CLUB

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PARENTS/ GUARDIANS/ CARERS

Parents¹ play a key role in the promotion of an ethical approach to sport and a child's / young person's enjoyment in sport. Parents therefore need to be aware, informed and involved in promoting the safest possible environment for children and young people to enjoy their participation in sport. Coaches need the support of parents to convey the Safe, Fun and Fair Play message. As a parent, you should help and support the implementation of best practice guidelines in your child's and young people's Club by following the Code of Conduct below.

- Become members of Letterkenny Blaze Basketball Club and be available for specified duties when required.
- Understand and ensure that your child abides by the "Code of Conduct for Children & Young People".
- Have an awareness of and respect for all people and their roles within the club e.g. coaches, junior coaches, referees, table officials, parent supervisors etc.
- Be a positive role model for your child by maintaining the highest standards of personal conduct and respectful behaviour in any activity related to Letterkenny Blaze Basketball Club.
- If you wish to raise an issue with the Coach this should be addressed with the Coach in an appropriate manner and not in front of children or young people.
- Respect and abide by the decisions made by the Management Committee and Coaches, these should be made in the best interests of the children and young people in the Club. Understand the complaints process and follow the proper procedure. (Please see the Club's Complaints Procedure).
- Know your child's training and/or competitive programme, and accept it is your responsibility for delivering and collecting your child. Parents should ensure they do not leave their child waiting unsupervised at any time.
- Ensure the environment is safe and enjoyable for your child.
- Promote fair play and the positive aspects of sport.
- Allow your child to focus their efforts and success in terms of their goals rather than winning being the main objective.
- Ensure appropriate Coaches are informed regarding any absenteeism, medical conditions or other relevant matters concerning your child. Provide Letterkenny Blaze Basketball Club with appropriate information in relation to your child to ensure their safe inclusion in the club, with emergency contact information and to be reasonably available in case of an emergency.
- Inform the Coach if there is any change in your child's medical details or a parents' contact details.
- Attend Coaches & Parent meetings and AGM'S and use this opportunity to give any suggestions or comments. You can also e-mail the Club Secretary with any suggestions throughout the season.
- Abide by the procedures and policies with regard to the use of smart phones, any type of camera and videoing equipment. (Please see the Club's Social Media Policy).
- Be aware and abide by the Safeguarding Statement and all Letterkenny Blaze Basketball Club policies and procedures.

¹ Parents = Parents, Guardians or Carers