

PARENT'S CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

2023/24

Respect, Teamwork, Achievement & Fun

The enjoyment and safety of your child when involved in a netball activity is of paramount importance to England Netball. Every child will be encouraged and asked to ensure that their behaviour and actions meet the values and standards expected of them at all times. As parents, you are asked to support our Codes of Behaviour and embrace the spirit of the game.

As a parent / carer, I will:

- Encourage my child to play within the rules and respect officials' and coaches' decisions
- Support my child's efforts and performance, give positive comments that motivate and encourage continued effort & learning
- Understand that competition is about winning and losing, so results are always accepted without undue disappointment
- Be a positive role model to my child by helping them work towards skill improvement and good sportsmanship
- Remember that children learn best by example; I will applaud good play by my child's team and their opponents
- Thank the coaches, officials and other volunteers who give their time for my child and not interfere with their decisions
- Not challenge a coaches choices or technique unless there is a H&S or wellbeing concern, in which instance request a private conversation or email our club Chair in confidence.
- Help when asked by a coach or official
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all people involved in netball, regardless of any protected characteristic (age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, and sexual orientation)
- Read the rules of the sport to understand better what I am watching and discuss with my child – including the Covid-related modifications
- Promote this code of conduct with other parents, carers, and supporters
- Be aware of my child's safeguarding policy and ensure that any concerns are reported to the club's safeguarding officer or England Netball's Lead Safeguarding Officer
- Follow all Covid-guidance and act responsibly should my child or any member of the household display symptoms
- Explain the Covid protocols to my child as they evolve and follow them.

As a parent, I will not:

- Pressure my child in any way, I know that this is their sport and not mine
- Use inappropriate language, harass athletes, coaches or officials or other spectators
- Criticize or ridicule my child for making a mistake or after losing a game
- Force my child if they are unwilling to participate in the sport
- Arrive at a netball activity under the influence of alcohol or drugs
- Use social media technology to bring the game or club into disrepute

- Not challenge a coaches choice or technique unless there is a H&S or wellbeing concern, in which instance request a private conversation or email our club Chair in confidence.
- Consume illegal substances either immediately prior to or while being at a netball activity where my child is participating in sport
- Consume alcoholic drinks, smoke or vape either immediately prior to or while being at a netball activity where my child is participating

We take our codes of behaviour for all – players, volunteers and parents very seriously and a breach will result in an investigation and possibly disciplinary procedures. A minor breach is a first and final warning, a further or serious breach will result in membership termination.

Acceptance of Code of Behaviour

Disciplinary procedures

As a parent/carer, I am aware that a breach of this code will have consequences. The MHYNC Committee will meet to determine what consequences will follow any breach. Where a breach is considered by the Committee to be gross, I (and my child) will be dismissed from the Club. If the breach is considered to be less than gross, a first and final warning will be issued. Any further breach will be met with dismissal. The decision of the Committee is final and there is no appeal.

I confirm that I have read and understood this Code of Behaviour

Player's Name _____

Parent / carer's name _____

Parent / carer's signature _____

Date _____