

Important Notes/Guidelines for Parents

Conditions of Membership

1. All Parents/Guardians will be contacted by the Club Co-ordinators in relation to supervision at training sessions. This supervision is **not optional**. Every parent must take their turn as it is unfair to expect other parents to fill in, in order to help us operate under the strict guidelines of Child Protection. This is expected for **all** age groups.

When supervising the session you are required to fill in the attendance book and if necessary collect monies. If a child gets injured or sick during the session you will be required to sit with them either until they feel well or in extreme cases until their parent arrives to collect them. Liaise with the coach on duty to ascertain if it is necessary to call their parent before the end of the session. Do not allow any child to leave the hall until a parent comes for them. If the child requires using the toilet, have another child accompany them. Under **no circumstances** allow yourself to be alone with a child.
2. On registration all players, parents and coaches are agreeing to abide by the Codes of Conduct as outlined by Basketball Ireland. These can be viewed on www.basketballireland.ie. Registration to the club **entitles every child to a properly run coaching session**, it does not guarantee competitive game time. We will endeavour to have blitzes or mini-games.
3. When leaving children at training sessions, parents/guardians should always check that the training sessions is proceeding. Always consider **your child's safety**.
4. When collecting children from training sessions, parents must ensure that they do so at the **designated finishing time** in order to ensure best practice in child protection guidelines. Please also give consideration to the coach who is giving up their personal time **voluntarily** to train your children.
5. Parents/Guardians must inform coaches of any important changes to contact details or advise the relevant coach of any change in your child's medical condition.
6. **Competitive Groups-** As with supervision duties, it is expected that all parents of children participating in games take their turn **when asked** by the parent coordinator to make some sandwiches/provide biscuits or to man the refreshment table for the duration of their child's game. Parents will also be requested to accompany the coach on away trips in accordance with Child Protection Guidelines, or help with travel to some games. You must make yourself available at least once during the season. Failure of parents complying will result in the **team being withdrawn from competition**.
7. It is also important for the children to see that they are supported by their parents. Come along and see them play or stay occasionally at the training session and tell them how well they are doing.