

Code of Expectations for Parents & Guardians

Birmingham Gymnastics Academy

Birmingham Gymnastics Academy is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of all its members. The club believes that it is important that members, coaches, administrators and parents/guardians associated with the club should, at all times, show respect and understanding for the safety and welfare of others. Therefore, parents/guardians and members are encouraged to be open at all times and to share any concerns or complaints that they may have about any aspect of the club with the club Welfare Officer Lesley Browne.

Gymnastics clubs for young people should offer a positive experience where they can learn new things in a safe and positive environment. As a parent/guardian of a member of Birmingham Gymnastics Academy, you are expected to abide by the following guidelines:

PARENTS/GUARDIANS ARE EXPECTED TO:

- Positively reinforce their child/young person and show an interest in their chosen activity. Support your child's involvement and help them to enjoy the sport of gymnastics.
- Do not place their young person under pressure or push them into activities they do not want to do.
- Complete and return the Health and Consent Form pertaining to their child's participation with "Birmingham Gymnastics Academy".
- Deliver and collect the child punctually to and from coaching sessions/competitions.
- Ensure their child is properly and adequately attired for participation in gymnastics, including shorts, t shirt, leotard, tracksuit, sweat-tops, water bottles etc
- Detail any health concerns pertaining to the child on the consent form, in particular breathing or chest conditions. Any changes in the state of the child's health should be reported to the coach prior to coaching sessions.
- To inform the coach prior to the gymnastics session if a child is to be collected early from a coaching session.
- Encourage their child to play by the rules and teach them that they can only do their best. Help your child to recognise good performance, not just results.
- Set a good example by recognising fair play and celebrating good performances of all.
- Use correct and proper language at all times.
- Encourage and guide performers to accept responsibility for their own performance and behaviour.
- Show appreciation and support the coach.

- Ensure their child is punctual.
- Be realistic and supportive.
- Accept the official's judgement.
- Acknowledge the importance and role of the club coaches who provide their time to ensure children's participation in the club.
- Promote their child's positive participation in the sport of gymnastics and the importance of enjoying their gymnastics.

PARENTS/GUARDIANS HAVE THE RIGHT TO:

- Know their child is safe.
- Be informed of problems or concerns relating to their children.
- Be informed if their child is injured.
- Have their consent sought for issues such as trips.
- Contribute to decisions within the club.
- Complain if they have concerns about the standard of coaching.

Any misdemeanours and breach of this Code of Conduct will be dealt with immediately by a coach or official from Birmingham Gymnastics Academy. Persistent concerns or breaches will result in the parent/guardian being asked not to attend, if their attendance is detrimental to the child's welfare.

The ultimate action should a parent/guardian continue to breach the code of behaviour may mean Birmingham Gymnastics Academy officials regrettably asking the child to leave the club.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Printed name of Parent/Guardian

Date