



Cheltenham Canoe Club

Code of Conduct



1. Introduction

It is the policy of Cheltenham Canoe Club that all paddlers, volunteers, coaches and parents show respect and understanding for each other and conduct themselves in a way that reflects the principles of the Club. The aim is for all paddlers to improve performance and have fun.

Everyone involved in the Club should abide by the Club Policies and Procedures.

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2.1 Paddlers

- Take care of all property belonging to the Club or Club members
- Treat other Club members with respect at all times — on and off the water — treat other paddlers as you would want to be treated yourself
- Control tempers and avoid behaviour which may inconvenience or upset others.
- Co-operate and listen to your coach or Club Officials

2.2 Club Officials, Coaches and Volunteers

- Consider the well-being and safety of paddlers before the development of performance
- Develop an appropriate working relationship with participants, based on mutual trust and respect
- Make sure all activities are appropriate to the age, ability and experience of those taking part
- Display consistently high standards of behaviour and appearance
- Follow British Canoeing and Club guidelines and policies
- Hold the appropriate, up-dated qualifications and insurance
- Encourage paddlers to value their performance and not just results
- Never condone the use of prohibitive substances



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2.3 Parents/Guardians

- Help your child to recognise good performance, not just results
- Never force your child to take part in sport
- Never punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes
- Publicly accept official's judgements
- Support your child's involvement and help them to enjoy the sport
- Use correct and proper language at all times
- Set a good example by applauding good performances of all paddlers

2.4 Juniors

- All Junior Members are asked to abide by the following rules at all times:
- Co-operate fully, respecting all requests and decisions made by the coaches, leaders, volunteers and Club Officials.
- Be on time for training sessions and events or inform your coach if you are going to be late
- Be considerate and respectful to other paddlers and water users - treat other paddlers as you would want to be treated
- Paddlers must wear suitable kit for paddling as agreed with your coach
- Take care of all property belonging to the Club or any Club member – and be responsible for caring for your own equipment and clothing.
- Not to leave sessions without the permission of the coach or leader Junior members are not allowed to smoke, consume alcohol or drugs of any kind whilst on Club premises or representing the Club at events