



Irish Women's Bowling Association Code of Conduct

The Irish Bowling Association (IWBA) is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the well-being of all its members. The IWBA believes that it is important that everyone associated with the IWBA (including officials, club members, bowlers, parents and young people) should, at all times, show respect and understanding for the safety and welfare of others. Therefore, everyone is encouraged to be open at all times and to share any concerns or complaints that they may have about any aspect of the IWBA with the Designated Safeguarding Officer.

Bowling Clubs for young people should offer a positive experience where they can learn new things in a safe and positive environment.

EXPECTATIONS FOR PARENTS/CARERS/GUARDIANS

As a parent/carer/guardian of a youth member in bowling, you are expected to abide by the following guidelines:

- 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.
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- Show appreciation and behave responsibly on the sidelines. Set a good example by recognising fair play and applauding good performances of all.
- Use correct and proper language at all times.
- Acknowledge the importance and role of the team manager and officials.
- Ensure their child is punctual.
- Be realistic and supportive.
- Provide their child with proper clothing and equipment.
- Ensure their child's hygiene and nutritional needs are met.
- Accept the official's judgement.
- Acknowledge the importance and role of the club coaches who provide their time free to ensure children's participation in the club.
- Promote their child's participation in playing sport for fun.

Parents/Carers/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 an IWBA/Club official (depending on the level participating). Persistent concerns or breaches will result in the parent/carer being asked not to attend games if their attendance is detrimental to

the child's welfare. The ultimate action should a parent/carer continue to breach the code of behaviour may mean the IWBA/Club official (depending on the level participating) regrettably asking the child to leave the IWBA/club.

Signature of Parent/Carer/Guardian

Printed name of Parent/Carer/Guardian

Date
