



## **BROUGHTON & DISTRICT CLUB**

# **ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY FOR INTERNET AND SOCIAL MEDIA USE BY JUNIOR MEMBERS**

**LTA VERSION 1.0 – FEBRUARY 2020**



Broughton & District Club (The venue) understand the importance of online communication for children's development. However we recognise that relevant safeguards need to be put in place to ensure children remain safe while online or using social media.

By agreeing to our terms and conditions parents/carers are confirming that the following policy will be discussed with their child/children.

- Children will be responsible for their behaviour when using the internet and social media at the venue (and whilst involved in activities/trips organised by the venue), including the content accessed and how they conduct themselves.
- Children should not deliberately create, browse or access material that could be considered offensive, inappropriate or illegal. If children accidentally come across any such material, they will report this to a member of staff (such as a member of the Venue Management Committee, Coach or Team Captain). Children should understand that electronic devices may need to be temporarily confiscated if they are found to have deliberately accessed such material.
- Children will not use social media or the internet to send anyone data, images or other material which could be considered inappropriate, threatening, offensive, upsetting, bullying or illegal.
- Children should understand that they should not seek out individual members of staff or coaches via social media.
- Children should ensure any messages sent to coaches, volunteers or other members of staff are about their activity and nothing else.
- Children should understand that all use of internet and social media is potentially visible to everyone and that any issues involving their behaviour online may be addressed by their coach or other staff or committee members at the venue.
- Children should not give out any personal information (such as name, age, address or telephone number online), or that of anyone else.
- Children should not share passwords with anyone else.
- Children will not arrange to meet someone that they have met online unless accompanied by an authorised member of staff or parent/carer.
- Children must understand that these rules are designed to keep them safe, and if they are not followed their parent/carer may be contacted.
- Children must avoid using a mobile, tablet or any device during activities as they should understand that it will have an impact on their safety and opportunities to learn and achieve.
- Children should be aware that if they are experiencing bullying behaviour or abuse online, they can contact a Welfare Officer.



- Children should be aware they can contact Childline on 0800 11 11 if they have any worries about something they have seen or experienced online.

**Any parent/carer who does not accept the contents of this policy should email [safeguarding@broughtonanddistrictclub.co.uk](mailto:safeguarding@broughtonanddistrictclub.co.uk) with their reason(s).**

**Welfare Officer (Tennis Section) – Alison McMichael**  
**Welfare Officer (Club) – Barry Moore**

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