

## West Lothian Clarion Parents/Carers Code of Conduct

We are committed to encouraging the participation, enjoyment and enthusiasm of every child within our club. Through a welcoming, safe and fun environment, promoting inclusivity and diversity. It is important that children participate in a supportive atmosphere which allows them to perform to the best of their abilities, while valuing and recognising effort as well as results.

In order to achieve this, we rely heavily on parents/carers to give their support in the right way. All club activities both in sport and social club activities are covered by this code of conduct. Parents/carers are asked to abide by this Code of Conduct at all times.

### As a Parent/Carer I will:

- inform the coach of any specific health requirements or medical conditions of my child in advance of the coaching session by completion of a club membership form or a parental consent form
- advise the coach if my child must leave early or is being collected by someone other than a parent/carer, giving details of the arrangement including who will be collecting my child, when and at what time
- encourage my child to learn the rules and play within them
- discourage unfair play and arguing with officials
- help my child to recognise good performance, not just results
- set a good example by recognising fair play and applauding the good performances of all
- never punish or abuse a child for losing or making mistakes
- accept and respect officials' judgments and teach children to do likewise
- support my child's involvement and help them to enjoy their sport
- always use correct and proper language
- remember that children participate in sport for their enjoyment, not mine
- support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities
- respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, disability, cultural background or religion
- show appreciation and respect for coaches, officials and all staff and volunteers. Remember, without them, your child could not participate

### I have the right to:

- Be confident that your child has their emotional and physical wellbeing protected during their participation in all activities
- Be informed if your child is injured or unwell
- Be informed of problems or concerns relating to your child
- Have any concerns about any aspect of your child's wellbeing listened to and responded to
- Have your consent sought for issue such as trips or photography
- Contribute to decisions within the club