

Foxes Netball Club



Code of Conduct for Coaches, Officials and Volunteers

As a coach, official or volunteer of Foxes Netball Club I will try to work within the following guidelines:

- Always ensure that I am never left alone with one child. Avoid situations where an individual child (that is not my own) and myself are completely unobserved.
- If any form of physical support is required, it will be provided openly and according to guidelines provide by the England Netball.
- Where possible, parents/guardians will take on the responsibility for their young people in the changing rooms. If young people have to be supervised in the changing rooms, the club will try to ensure that coaches/volunteers work in pairs.
- Encourage an open environment (i.e. no secrets, always explain why you are doing something in that way, encourage a diplomatic approach to the club's activities with young people being able to put their views forward).
- When working with the teams, the club will agree with parents/guardians when it is appropriate to enter the changing area.
- Include young people in committee decisions to ensure their voice is heard.

As a coach, official or volunteer of Foxes Netball Club I will avoid:

- Spending excessive amounts of time alone with young people away from others.
- Taking young people (apart from my own relations) alone on car journeys, however short.
- Taking young people (apart from my own relations) to my home where they will be alone with me.

As a coach, official or volunteer of Foxes Netball Club I will never:

- Engage in rough, physical or sexually provocative games, including horseplay.
- Share a room with a young person (apart from my own relations).
- Allow or engage in any form of inappropriate touching.
- Allow young people to use inappropriate language unchallenged.
- Make sexually suggestive comments to a young person, even in fun.
- Do things of a personal nature for young people that they can do for themselves.
- Invite or allow young people (apart from my own relations) to stay with me at my home unsupervised.
- Allow allegations to be made by a child to go unchallenged, unrecorded or not acted upon

Signed:

Date:

Name: