

# MALLARD FENCING CLUB

The following must be read by all coaches involved with the junior section of Mallard Fencing Club, the relevant information section completed and signed. One copy to be kept by the coach and one by the Club.

## THE COACHES CODE OF PRACTICE

Young people come into fencing for a variety of reasons; it is the duty of the Coach to recognise this and stimulate continued participation.

Coaches have a responsibility to ensure that all young fencers are given the opportunity to fulfil their aspirations in a caring environment where the emphasis is on;

1. Fun
2. Enjoyment
3. Skill development

The Good Coach should always;

1. Recognise the importance of fun and enjoyment when coaching young fencers. Most learning is achieved through 'doing'
2. Appreciate the needs of the fencers before the needs of the sport.
3. Be a positive role model.
4. Keep winning and losing in perspective – encourage young fencers to behave with dignity in all circumstances.
5. Respect all referees and the decisions they make and ensure that the fencers recognise that they must do the same.
6. Provide positive verbal feedback in a constructive and encouraging manner to all young fencers, both during coaching sessions and competitions.
7. Provide experiences which are matched to the young fencers' age and ability, as well as their physical and mental development.
8. Ensure all youngsters are coached in a safe environment; Has a risk assessment been carried out? Is adequate 1<sup>st</sup> Aid readily available?
9. Ensure each young fencer is given an equal share of your time, irrespective of their standard or ability.
10. Never allow a fencer to train or compete when injured.
11. Ensure that their coaching qualifications are up to date and recognised by British Fencing.

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NAME ..... BFA NO: ..... Expiry date .....

Home telephone no. .... Mobile .....

I agree to abide by the Mallard Fencing Club Good Coaches Code at all times.

Signature ..... Date .....

Copies of the following documents should be attached with this form:

- Evidence of coaching qualification.
- Enhanced CRB Certificate.
- First Aid qualification.
- England Fencing Coaching certificate.
- British Fencing membership card.
- Certificate of attendance at an authorised Child Protection Course.
- Details of any other relevant courses attended.