

WGC Coaches Code of Conduct

This Code sets out the standards in accordance with which WGC coaches operate. If you believe a breach of this Code has occurred please contact the Head Coach or the Welfare Officer who will investigate the matter.

WGC coaches will:-

Hold British Gymnastics coaching qualifications appropriate to the level of class being taught and valid current clear Criminal Records Bureau checks (please note that coaches are permitted to teach skills one level higher than the level of their qualification when under the supervision of a more highly qualified coach)

Treat all participants with dignity and respect

Act in accordance with the British Gymnastics policies on Child Protection, Equality and Health, safety and Welfare (all of which can be downloaded from the British Gymnastics website)

Give each participant the right to self-determination

Ensure each participant is set tasks appropriate to their age, development and the level of their ability

Attend punctually for scheduled classes (please ensure you arrive 10 mins prior to the start of your scheduled class.

Wear the correct attire at all times. Correct attire t-shits, tracksuit bottoms, leggings or knee length shorts.

Respond politely to any appropriately made queries or requests for information from parents or guardians or ensure that the query is passed on to an appropriate other person

Record all accidents or incidents of note in the Accident Book

Take appropriate action if he or she reasonably suspects that a participant or group of participants are being subjected to bullying in the gymnasium



Make a report to the Welfare Officer if he or she has reasonable concerns that any child may be the victim of abuse

Where participants are to be entered for competition, to ensure that they are entered at the most appropriate grade or level for their age, ability and personal desires and that they are able to safely perform the elements required

Promote the sport of gymnastics

Act and behave in a professional manner

WGC coaches will not :-

Wear jewellery whilst coaching

Chew gum whilst coaching.

Eat or drink within the training area's of the gymnasium as it is strictly prohibited

Use mobile phones whilst coaching at any time as it is not permitted.

Smoke in or in the vicinity of the gymnasium or anywhere where they may be seen doing so by WGC gymnasts or parents

Swear or use other inappropriate language in the gymnasium

Intimidate, bully or harass any participant or group of participants

Discriminate against any participant, parent, visitor or other coach on the basis of their race, disability, sex, age, religious belief or sexual orientation

(Please note that particular treatment on the grounds of sex or age may be justified and at times in accordance with WGC's policies - for example we currently do not have the facilities or coaches to teach competitive level boys and therefore boys who have the talent and desire to reach that level are referred to other clubs. Similarly, many of our selection policies will be based on selecting girls at an optimum age for them to develop into elite gymnasts.)