

Fermoy Rowing Club

GUIDELINES & CODES OF CONDUCT FOR OFFICIALS, VOLUNTEERS, COACHES & COMMITTEE MEMBERS 2009 -2010.

Guidelines for Officials, Coaches, Volunteers & Committee Members:

Adults should strive to create a positive environment for young Athletes and should have as their priority the children's safety and enjoyment of the sport. Adults should respect the rights, dignity and worth of every child and must treat everyone equally. Adults should act as role models for young Athletes and promote the positive aspects of sport and maintain the highest standards of personal conduct.

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR COACHES, OFFICIALS, VOLUNTEERS & COMMITTEE :

You should always ensure -

- You are familiar with the Code of Ethics, Rules of IARU and **FERMOY ROWING CLUB**
- That you are qualified for the position and are up to date with the knowledge and skill required
- Create a safe environment for young athletes, keep attendance records, remember all levels of participation should be enjoyable and fun
- Plan and prepare appropriately and are positive during training. Praise and encourage effort as well as result and never ridicule or shout unnecessarily at any child
- Take care to avoid favouritism. Each child will require attention appropriate to their stage of development
- Take care not to expose a child to persistent criticism
- Insist that Young Athletes respect the rules and play fairly ensuring an awareness that cheating or bullying behaviour will not be tolerated
- Encourage the development of respect for opponents, Officials and other participants and avoid criticism of fellow Coaches
- Be aware of the boundaries of a working relationship that is based on openness, honesty, mutual trust and respect with Young Athletes
- Work in an open environment, avoid unobserved areas
- Involve Parents where possible and advise Parents and/or Children's Officer/Club when problems arise
- Coaches/Club may request a certificate of medical fitness to ensure safe continued training
- Keep any information in relation to an Athlete of a personal or medical nature strictly confidential unless the welfare of the Athlete requires the passing on of this information
- Acknowledge the use of drugs, alcohol and tobacco is incompatible with a healthy approach to sporting activity and must be discouraged

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Have you ever been asked to leave a sporting organisation? Yes No

If the answer is Yes we will contact you in confidence.

I have read, understood and agree to abide by the Code of Conduct for Officials, Coaches, Committee & Volunteers and the rules of **FERMOY ROWING CLUB.**

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Child protection number/date: _____

Official/Coach/Committee/ Volunteer: _____