



Hunter Sports Centre Gymnastics Club

Parent & Guardian Code of Conduct

The Hunter Sports Centre Gymnastics Club is committed to providing a safe, positive, and supportive environment for all gymnasts. Parents and guardians play a vital role in shaping this culture. By enrolling your child in our programs, you agree to uphold the following standards of behaviour:

1. Support a Positive Environment

- Encourage your child to participate for enjoyment, personal growth, and skill development.
- Celebrate effort, improvement, and resilience rather than focusing solely on results.
- Promote good sportsmanship by modelling respect, patience, and positivity.

2. Respect Coaches and Staff

- Trust in the expertise, decisions, and training methods of our qualified coaching team.
- Communicate respectfully and constructively with staff, especially when raising concerns.
- Avoid coaching your child from the sidelines or interfering with training sessions.

3. Respect All Gymnasts

- Support all athletes, not just your own child.
- Refrain from negative comments, comparisons, or pressure that may impact a child's confidence or wellbeing.
- Encourage inclusivity, kindness, and teamwork.
- Demonstrate a high degree of individual responsibility especially when dealing with or in the vicinity of persons under 18 years of age, as your words and actions are an example.

4. Maintain a Safe and Appropriate Presence

- Observe training sessions only from designated viewing areas.
- Follow all club policies regarding drop-off, pick-up, and facility access.
- Ensure your child arrives on time, prepared, and with the appropriate attire and equipment.

5. Communicate Responsibly

- Direct questions or concerns to coaches or club management at appropriate times, not during active training.
- Use respectful language in all verbal and written communication, including emails and social media.
- Avoid spreading rumours, criticism, or misinformation about gymnasts, coaches, or club operations.

6. Uphold Club Values and Policies

- Support the club's commitment to child safety, wellbeing, and inclusive participation.
- Adhere to all Hunter Sports Centre policies, including photography, safety, and member behaviour guidelines.
- Ensure fees, enrolments, and administrative requirements are completed on time.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

7. Be a Role Model

- Demonstrate calm, respectful behaviour at all club events, competitions, and training sessions.
- Show appreciation for volunteers, judges, and staff who contribute to the gymnastics community.
- Encourage your child to take responsibility for their behaviour, effort, and sportsmanship.
- Respect officials' decisions and teach children to do likewise.
- Do not physically or verbally abuse or harass anyone associated with the sport (player, coach, judge and so on).

Acknowledgement

Understand the repercussions if you breach, or are aware of any breaches of, this code of behaviour.

By participating in Hunter Sports Centre Gymnastics Club programs, parents and guardians agree to uphold this Code of Conduct and understand that breaches may result in warnings, restricted access, or suspension from club activities.