

Christchurch Life Saving Club

Code of Conduct

(revised September 2018)



Christchurch Life Saving Club is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of all its members. The club believes that it is important that members, trainers, administrators and parents associated with the club should, at all times, show respect and understanding for the safety and welfare of others. Therefore, members are encouraged to be open at all times and to share any concerns or complaints that they may have about any aspect of the club with our Safeguarding officer using safeguarding@clscmail.org.uk.

Sports clubs for young people should offer a positive experience where they can learn new things in a safe and positive environment.

As a member of Christchurch Life Saving Club, you are expected to abide by the following Code of Practice:

Members have the responsibility to:

Be loyal and give their friends a second chance.

Be friendly and particularly welcoming to new members.

Be supportive and committed to other team members, offer comfort when required.

Not get involved in inappropriate peer pressure and push others into something they do not want to do.

Keep within the defined boundary of the playing/coaching area.

Behave and listen to all instructions from the trainer. Play within the rules and respect the official and their decisions.

Take care of equipment owned by the club.

All members must respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of age, gender, ability, race, cultural background, religious beliefs, sexual orientation/identity or gender reassignment.

Refrain from the use of bad language or discriminatory/sectarian references and slurs.

Refrain from bullying or persistent use of rough and dangerous play, this includes cyber-bullying.

Members should keep to agreed timings for training and competitions or inform their trainer or event team leader if they are going to be late.

Members must wear suitable swimwear and kit for training and competition, as stipulated by the trainer.

Members must pay any fees for training or events promptly.

Members are not allowed to smoke or take illegal drugs of any kind on club premises or whilst representing the club at events such as competitions.

Junior members are not allowed to consume alcohol of any description, in any quantity on the club premises or whilst representing the club at events such as competitions.

Show respect to other youth members/leaders and show team spirit.
Keep themselves safe.
Report inappropriate behaviour or risky situations for youth members.
Play fairly and be trustworthy.
Respect officials and accept decisions.
Show appropriate loyalty and be gracious in defeat.
Challenge or report the bullying of your peers.
Respect opponents.
Not cheat or be violent/aggressive.
Not use violence.
Make your club a fun place to be.

Members have the right to:

Be safe and happy in their chosen activity.
Be listened to.
Be respected and treated fairly.
Privacy.
Enjoy your sport in a protective environment.
Be referred to professional help if needed.
Be protected from abuse by other member or outside sources.
Participate on an equal basis, appropriate to their ability.
Experience competition and the desire to win.
Be believed.
Ask for help.

Incidents

General misbehaviour will be addressed initially by the immediate trainer and reported to the designated person. Persistent misbehaviour will be referred to a 'disciplinary committee' who will investigate the incident/incidents this could result in withdrawal from the club. Parents will be informed at all stages.

More serious incidents/behaviours will immediately be referred to the designated officer and SLSGB safeguarding manager – other agencies maybe involved. The incident will be investigated by the disciplinary committee and actioned appropriately. This could lead to the ultimate sanction of refusal for membership from club and SLSGB.

Dismissals can be appealed in accordance with the Clubs Rules, Policies and Procedures. In accordance with the Clubs Disciplinary Procedure appeals will be heard by three members of the Clubs management committee.

Privacy Notice

All information collected below is necessary to ensuring the correct and appropriate behaviour of the members of Christchurch Life Saving Club and by extension to ensure theirs and others safety, it is therefore within the legitimate interests of the club and its members that this information is collected.

We will retain this data for the period of time you are a member of Christchurch Life Saving Club and destroy it in accordance with data protection laws when your membership is formally terminated.

You have the right to:

- Request that your data is changed if you believe it is not correct or has become incorrect, either at the time it was provided or later. In this instance, we will request that you re-sign a new copy of this document.
- Request a copy of the data we hold on you.
- Request your information is deleted or object to its processing. As the data is collected for the purposes of ensuring safety, in the instance you request your information is deleted we would be unable to continue your club membership.

You can do this by contacting secretary@christchurchlifesavingclub.org.uk.

By signing below, I confirm that I have read and understand in its entirety the Code of Conduct and will abide by the Club Rules, Policies, Procedures and code of practice as set out.

Printed name of Member _____

Signature of Member _____

Printed name of Parent/Guardian _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____

Date: _____