



# **CODE OF PRACTICE FOR JUNIOR MEMBERS, PARENTS & CARERS**

Mallard Fencing Club is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of all its members. The club believes that it is important that members, coaches, 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 The Club Welfare Officer – Ms Helen Easter and Mrs Rebecca Cassidy, or any other Committee Member. As a junior member of Mallard Fencing Club, you are expected to abide by the following junior code of practice:

- All junior members must fence/take part within the rules and respect officials and their decisions.
- All junior members must respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of age, gender, ability, race, cultural background, religious beliefs or sexual identity.
- Junior members should try to arrive on time for club training sessions and ensure that they register and pay the relevant fee when they arrive.
- Junior Members must always wear the correct kit ensuring that it fits properly: Mask Breeches 350NW Plastron 800NW Long white socks White fencing jacket 350NW Trainers or other suitable footwear Glove Chest protectors for girls
- Junior members are required to put away their kit tidily at the end of the evening.
- Junior members are not allowed to smoke on club premises or whilst representing Mallard at competitions.
- Junior members are not allowed to consume alcohol or drugs of any kind on Club premises or whilst representing the Club.

## **CODE OF PRACTICE FOR PARENTS & CARERS**

- Encourage your child to learn the rules and fence within them.
- Discourage unfairness and arguing with officials.
- Help your child to recognise good performance, not just results.
- Never force your child to take part in sport.
- Set a good example by recognising fair play and applauding good performances of all.
- Never punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes.
- Publicly accept officials' judgements.
- Support your child's involvement and help him/her to enjoy sport.
- Use correct and proper language at all times.
- Encourage and guide your child to accept responsibility for their own performance and behaviour.