



FACT SHEET 31

RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES MATRIX FOR ALL

RIGHTS	RESPONSIBILITIES
Child/Youth Members	
<p>Child/Youth members have the right to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Be safe ★ Be listened to ★ Be respected ★ 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 	<p>Child/Youth Members are responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Showing respect to other youth members and leaders ★ Reporting inappropriate behaviour or risky situations for youth members ★ Playing fairly ★ Respecting officials and accepting decisions ★ Showing appropriate loyalty and be gracious in defeat ★ Respecting opponents ★ Not cheating ★ Not using violence
LEADERS	
<p>Leaders have the right to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Access ongoing training and information on all aspects of leading / managing activities for youths, particularly child protection ★ Support in the reporting of suspected abuse ★ Access to professional support services ★ Fair and equitable treatment by the Governing Body ★ Be protected from abuse by children / youths, other adult members and parents ★ Not to be left vulnerable when working with children 	<p>Leaders are responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Fostering team work to ensure the safety of youth members in their care ★ Using appropriate team management behaviour ★ Responding to youth members' statements and concerns about alleged abuse ★ Ensuring the rights and responsibilities of youth members are enforced ★ Reporting suspected abuse to the appropriate Governing Body ★ Not abusing members physically, emotionally or sexually ★ Maintaining confidentiality about sensitive information ★ Being a role model (disciplined / committed / time keeping), remember children learn by example

SPORT GOVERNING BODIES

Sport Governing Bodies have the right to:

- ★ Expect all leaders to comply with its Code of Conduct
- ★ Expect all youth members to maintain standards of reasonable behaviour
- ★ Take appropriate action if members breach the Code of Conduct or a Governing Body Policy
- ★ Expect all members to undertake appropriate training when advised to
- ★ Expect leaders will not abuse members physically, emotionally or sexually
- ★ Take appropriate action in the event of a breach of TI's code of conduct or suspected abuse
- ★ Acquire pre-employment checks on all coaches/youth leaders
- ★ Maintain records on individuals in line with advice from the data protection agency i.e. only hold records on individuals that they have a justifiable reason for holding.

Sport Governing Bodies are responsible for:

- ★ Providing a safe environment for members
- ★ Providing ongoing training and information for Leaders
- ★ Implement policy and procedures in line with guidance from Our Duty to *Care* and the *Code of Ethics for Children's Sport*
- ★ Designating a contact in each area for liaison in relation to member protection issues
- ★ Facilitating open discussion on member protection issues
- ★ Insisting areas provide support to members who report accusations of abuse
- ★ Treating suspected abuse information confidentially
- ★ Taking appropriate action if members breach standards of reasonable behaviour or Governing Body Policies and Regulations
- ★ Establishing and maintaining a coaching register
- ★ Setting standards of good practice
- ★ Having knowledge of statutory child protection procedures and their responsibility in reporting concerns as advised in Our Duty to *Care*

PARENTS

Parents have the right to:

- ★ Know their child is safe
- ★ Be informed of problems or concerns relating to their children
- ★ Be informed if their child is injured
- ★ Have their consent sought for issues such as trips
- ★ Contribute to decisions within the club
- ★ Complain if they have concerns about the standard of coaching

Parents are responsible for:

- ★ Encouraging their child to play by the rules and teach them that they can only do their best
- ★ Behaving responsibly on the sidelines
- ★ Showing appreciation and supporting the coach
- ★ Ensuring their child is punctual
- ★ Collecting their child on time
- ★ Being realistic
- ★ Providing their child with proper clothing and equipment
- ★ Ensuring their child's hygiene and nutritional needs are met

These lists are not exhaustive and are by no means definitive.