



Westport AC Parents/Guardians

Code of Conduct

Athletics should be safe, fun and conducted in a spirit of fair play

- Encourage your child to learn the rules and play within them.
- Discourage unfair play 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' judgments.
- Support your child's involvement and help them to enjoy their sport.
- Use correct and proper language at all times.
- Encourage and guide performers to accept responsibility for their own performance and behaviour.
- Have all athletes present in time for training sessions.
- Arrange for the prompt collection of athletes at the end of training sessions. Children aged 12 and under must be collected from inside the gates of Westport Sports Complex.
- Never interfere with coaches during training. You are encouraged to voice any queries/concerns/grievances you may have with the coach in question at the end of the training session. Such discussions are not to be held in the presence of any athlete.
- Be aware that the Westport Sports Complex is a shared facility; courtesy must be shown to all users of the changing rooms and toilets.
- Contact the club's child welfare officer if you feel your child is being treated unfairly. The welfare officer is obliged to bring these concerns before the committee for discussion. The welfare officer is obliged to communicate the committee's decisions regarding the matter with the parent/guardian.