



## Codes of Conduct

### Code of Practice for Young People

Bridgnorth Tennis Club is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the well-being of all its members 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:

Holly Mowling - Club Coach and Junior Organiser

As a junior member at Bridgnorth tennis club you are expected to abide by the following code of practice:

- All members must play within the rules and respect officials on their decisions.
- All members must respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of age, gender, ability, race, cultural background, religious beliefs or sexual identity.
- Members should keep to agreed timings for training and competitions, or inform their coach or team manager if they are going to be late.
- Members must wear suitable kit for training and match sessions, as agreed with the coach.
- Members must pay any fees for training or events promptly.
- Junior members are not allowed to smoke on the premises or whilst representing the club at competitions.
- Junior members are not allowed to consume alcohol or drugs of any kind on the club premises whilst representing the club.

### Code of Practice for Parents

Code of practice for parents and guardians. Your tennis club is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the well-being of all its members. The club believes that it is important that members, coaches, administrators and parents/guardians associated with the club should, at all times, show respect and understanding to 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 aspects of the club with Phil J Cowell - Chairman

As a member of Bridgnorth Tennis Club you are expected to abide by the following:

- Encourage your children to learn the rules of tennis and play within them.
- Discourage unfair play and arguing with officials.
- Help your children to recognise good performance, not just results.

- Never force your child to take part in sport.
- Set a good example by recognising their playing by applauding the good performances of all.
- Never punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes.
- Publicly accept judgements made by officials.
- Support your child's involvement and help them to enjoy the sport.
- Use correct and proper language at all times.
- Allow your child to play in the mini tennis colour stage that is appropriate to them. This will ensure they enjoy playing the game, develop their skills and gain confidence.
- Purchased balls and rackets that match the stage your child is in.
- Be patient. Steady progression is unusual in children and plateaus are common.
- Your first question following any match should be, did you enjoy it? Not did you win?.
- At no stage should you communicate with your child or interfere with the on court helpers and referees during a match, just enjoy the game and let the officials take care of the match.

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Appropriate sports clothing to be worn, no leisurewear jeans or football strips. Tennis shoes to be worn preferably to be white. The committee shall decide what is appropriate.

- No food or drink except water to be taken on the courts
- You are reminded that in accordance with club's child protection policy, parental permission must be obtained before taking photographs of children at the club
- Please have respect for the other members, the grounds and the clubhouse
- Wait for a break in play before entering and leaving the courts or retrieving balls
- Make sure all litter is put in the bins provided in the clubhouse when leaving
- Make sure your washing up is done, the flood lights are off and the clubhouse door and courts are securely locked.