



# Braintree Bullets BMX club code of conduct



## Code of conduct for parents and carers

**Note:** Where we refer to 'parents' we mean parents and carers inclusively. The term 'children' or 'child' describes any person under the age of 18.

**As a parent of a child taking part in our club or activity, you are responsible to:**

### The essentials

- ✓ Make sure your child has the right kit for the session as well as enough food and drink.
- ✓ Make sure your child arrives to sessions on time and is picked up promptly; or let us know if you're running late or if your child is going home with someone else.
- ✓ Complete all consent, contact and medical forms and update us straight away if anything changes.
- ✓ Make sure your child wears appropriate protective kit for the activity they are participating in or as advised by coaching team.
- ✓ Maintain a good relationship with your child's coach.
- ✓ Talk to us if you have any concerns about any part of your child's involvement - we want to hear from you.

### Behaviour

- ✓ Actively learn about your child's BMXing and what it means to them.
- ✓ Take the time to talk to your child about what you both want to achieve through the sport.
- ✓ Remember that children get a wide range of benefits from participating in sport eg making friends, getting exercise and developing skills. It's not all about wins and losses.
- ✓ Listen when your child says they don't want to do something.
- ✓ Behave positively on the trackside - shout positive encouragement.
- ✓ Think about how the way you react and behave effects not just your child, but other children too.
- ✓ Encourage your child to respect and celebrate difference in the club.
- ✓ Lead by example when it comes to positive behaviour on the trackside; or let other parents take their cues from you, as well as from us.
- ✓ Accept the official's judgment and do not enter the track unless instructed to do so.
- ✓ Use social media responsibly when talking about what goes on at our club. Use social media guidance policy as a basis prior to posting online.
- ✓ Talk to your child about embracing good etiquette and sportsmanship.
- ✓ Understand and ensure that your child to rides by the rules.
- ✓ Ensure that your child understands their code of conduct, safeguarding and anti-bullying policy.
- ✓ Actively engage in volunteering opportunities at the track to ensure club activities can be facilitated.

**As a parent, we understand you have the right to:**

- ✓ Be assured that your child is safeguarded during their time with us.
- ✓ See any of our policies and procedures at any time.
- ✓ Know who the welfare officer responsible for your child is and have their contact details.
- ✓ Be involved and contribute towards decisions within the club.

- ✓ Be informed of problems or concerns relating to your child and know what happens if there's an accident or injury.
- ✓ Be informed if your child is injured and see records of any accidents.
- ✓ Have concerns about any aspect of your child's welfare listened to and responded to.

We expect all parents to follow the behaviours and requests set out in this code. If any parent behaves in a way which contradicts any of the points set out above, we'll address the problem with the parent and governing body and aim to resolve the issue.

Persistent concerns or breaches may result in parents being asked not to attend events if their attendance is considered a risk to the welfare and enjoyment of participants.

Continued issues and repeated breaches of this code may result in us asking your child to leave the activity, event or club permanently. Please be aware that the Braintree bullets safeguarding policy and practice follows the British Cycling safeguarding policy and adheres to guidelines within it. Therefore, safeguarding and welfare concerns may be reported to British Cycling Lead safeguarding officer for further advice and/or sanction.