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Birmingham BMX Club Code of Conduct and Consent

As a volunteer organisation we are dedicated to promoting the sport of BMX racing. We encourage good behaviour and sporting respect from all riders, parents/carers and supporters at all times. Agreeing to this code is a condition of club membership.

Birmingham BMX Club (BBMXC) reserves the right to withdraw a rider from an event/activity if the rider, parent or associate is found to have behaved in contravention of the following code of conduct (should it be necessary we will also notify British Cycling of any incidents).

In particular all riders must observe these rules and follow all instructions given to them by any Commissaire or official at any time during the course of any training, club, regional or national events at BBMXC.

Riders' and Participants' Code of Conduct.

As a member of BBMXC you will:

1. Arrive for training and competition in good time to prepare and be ready for the start time.
2. Wear suitable kit and clothing for all club activities. This must include a correctly fitted & fastened full face helmet and gloves. Your helmet must be correctly fastened before you enter the track or pens. Club volunteers can assist with information about suitable kit and clothing.
3. Abide by the rules of the sport and respect Commissaires, Coaches, Committee and their decisions.
4. Be a good sport. Applaud all good rides whether they are made by your club or the opposition.
5. Control your temper. Verbal or physical abuse towards others or deliberately distracting/provoking an opponent are not acceptable or permitted behaviours. This includes any communications on Whatsapp, messenger, via social media or text message.
6. Not use foul or abusive language.
7. Book onto sessions and pay any fees for training or events promptly.
8. Show appreciation and respect for your club team-mates, Coaches, Committee, other volunteers and your opponents.
9. You will respect the rights, dignity and worth of everyone.

10. Never bring yourself or the sport of BMX racing into disrepute in or out of the club (in person or via social media).

Parent/Carer/Supporter Code of Conduct

As a parent/carer of a member of BBMXC you are expected to:

1. Ensure all children aged 16 and under are accompanied at all times by a parent/carer or nominated responsible adult while attending the track.
2. Inform the Coaches and Welfare Officers of any specific heath requirements/medical conditions or special educational needs by completion of the club membership form and update Coaches and Welfare Officers of any changes. If you have any concerns about your child participating in any form of physical activity, please consult your GP before giving permission for your child to take part in the coaching sessions.
3. Pay fees due prior to you child taking part in club activities unless a prior arrangement has been made. Failure to pay requested fees will result in the rider being asked to discontinue their involvement of that activity until they have paid. If necessary repeated nonpayers will not be allowed to attend these events.
4. Regularly volunteer during training sessions and dig days to assist in the upkeep of the track and surrounding facility for all to continue to enjoy.
5. Regularly volunteer during competition events held at BBMXC
6. Encourage your child to learn the track/race rules and ride within them.
7. Discourage unfair play and disrespectful language behaviour with track commissaires and volunteers.
8. Help your child recognise good performance, not just results.
9. Set a good example by recognising fair play and applauding good performances of all riders.
10. Never punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes.
11. Accept and respect Coaches, Commissaire's and Committee judgments and teach children to do likewise.
12. Support your child's involvement and help them to enjoy their sport.
13. Not use foul or abusive language especially around children.
14. Remember that children participate in sport for their enjoyment, not your own.
15. Follow BBMXC's anti-bullying policy and support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse and bullying from sporting activities.
16. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, disability, cultural background or religion.
17. Show appreciation and respect for Coaches, Commissaire's and Committee. Remember, without them your child could not participate.
18. Express all views, opinions and decisions without contempt to others.
19. Never bring BBMXC or the sport of BMX racing into disrepute in or out of the club (in person or via social media).

Please Note: Riders will be held accountable for the actions of their parents/carers and supporters in their company during BMX activity.

Disciplinary Action

Action that can be taken at any time for not adhering to the code of conduct. These are not necessarily completed in order but decided on dependent on the severity of the concern.

- A rider/parent/carer or supporter may simply be reminded of the Code of Conduct verbally or in writing.
- An official warning for breaking any of the Code of Conduct above may be issued in writing by the club committee.
- A meeting may be arranged for an adults/s with two members of the committee present for transparency (Chair/Vice Chair and a Welfare Officer).
- If a meeting or mediation is needed to be held with a child, their parent must also be present.
- Parents / carers / supporters may be asked not to attend training and/or events, but the rider may still attend with a relative or nominated adult.
- A rider may be asked to have a break from attendance to training sessions.
- A riders' club membership may be ceased (immediately or at the end of their membership period) formally by writing from the club committee.
- If any threatening or violent behaviour is displayed to any other rider/parent, volunteer or committee member then the police will be notified and the club reserves the right to permanently ban that person from all club activities permanently.
- British Cycling will be made aware of any Welfare concerns.

Please be aware that Birmingham BMX Club's safeguarding policy and practice follows British Cycling's safeguarding policies and adheres to the guidelines within it. Therefore, safeguarding and welfare concerns may be reported by the club to British Cycling's lead safeguarding officer for further advice and/or sanction. Any concerns or issues regarding the conduct or behaviour of any riders or parents should be brought to the attention of Birmingham BMX Club's welfare officers so any incidents can be dealt with through the correct channels and procedures.

Club Welfare Officers: Michelle Shore and Kelly Mason - bbmxcwelfare@yahoo.com

Declaration and Consent Parental Consent for children under the age of 18 participating in coaching activities in a traffic-free environment

- *I, being the rider, or parent/guardian of a rider under the age of 18, have read the information on this form and the following notes, and consent to myself/my child taking part in the coaching sessions conducted in a traffic-free environment.*
- *I understand and agree that I/my child participate(s) in coaching sessions under the instruction of British Cycling coaches entirely at my own risk.*
- *I have considered the nature of such sessions/have discussed them with my child.*
- *I am satisfied that I am/my child is sufficiently responsible and competent to assume full and entire responsibility for my/their own safety under the supervision of a British Cycling coach.*
- *I understand that the club, its servants or agents are not under any liability whatsoever for the loss of property, accidents or injuries to me/my child, however caused.*

- *I agree to my details being held on a permanent basis by Birmingham BMX Club, in accordance with the Data Protection Act.*
- *By joining the club as a member, I/my child accept(s) the terms and conditions of the club.*

Riders Name _____

Signature or parent/guardian signature (if under 18) _____

Date _____

Now let's ride!