



Cambridge University Real Tennis Club

# Code of Conduct – Parents

## Terms

As a condition of membership for under-18s/vulnerable adults to Cambridge University Real Tennis Club, parent(s)/carer(s) should fulfil the following:

## Getting To and From Sessions

- Members must arrive in good time before the planned start time of matches or sessions.
- Children under the age of 8 must be supervised by a parent/carer within sessions.
- Children under secondary school age must not make their own way to and from sessions/events and should be dropped off in visibility of the lead coach(es).
- Parents/carers are required to be present at the end of the session for children to be visibly taken from the club's responsibility.
- Should you be unable to collect your child at the specified end time, advance notice should be communicated to the coach(es)/club welfare officer. It is unacceptable to turn up late without prior notice bar exceptional circumstances.
  - › Persistent failure to bring a child to sessions or collect on time may result in a meeting with the parent/carer and club welfare officer(s).
- Members must be provided with a bottle of water.

## Club Activities

- Parents/carers should support the development and aspirations of their child(ren) within the club.
- Should parents/carers struggle to be able to support their child within the club they are encouraged to contact the club welfare officers and committee outlining their difficulties.
- Parents/carers must respect the qualification of their child(ren)'s coach and not attempt to intervene in the learning process unless there is reasonable concern for safety or welfare.

## Alcohol

- Parents/guardians should be aware that alcohol is available after matches with a social component. Before each such event or series that their child is participating in, parents/guardians will be asked to clarify their intentions in writing to the Senior Professional.
- CURTC juniors UNDER 16 are not permitted to drink any alcohol in CURTC or other Real Tennis clubs.
- If the junior is under 16 and is to stay for the social element, then a parent must confirm that a parent or other nominated adult will be present.

For juniors who are OVER 16 BUT UNDER 18:

- The default position is that juniors over 16 but under 18 are not allowed alcohol; if the junior is to stay for the social element, a parent must confirm that a parent or other nominated adult will be present.
- If the parent has stated in writing that they permit the junior to consume a moderate amount of alcohol unsupervised, the junior may stay for the social element without a parent or other nominated adult being present. Parents should be aware that the professionals and other Club members are not responsible for supervising the situation.

## Policies

- Club policies, available online, must be read and agreed to as a condition of membership.
- Children should be encouraged to read and understand club rules and the under-18s Code of Conduct.
- Parents/carers must take responsibility for the behaviour of their children should disciplinary action be unsuccessful.

## Complaints

- All complaints should be formed per the guidance in the Complaints Procedure.
- Grievances related to the club, of any nature, should not be communicated publicly/on social networks.

## More Information

Contact your club Welfare Officer, whose name and contact details are given on the Welfare Officer poster on the noticeboard, and on the website [www.curtc.net/wp/membership/#welfareofficer](http://www.curtc.net/wp/membership/#welfareofficer).