

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULT GOLFERS

I understand that this Code of Conduct has been designed to ensure that all young golfers have a point of reference providing the minimum standards expected when participating in golfing activities, and that any breach of this code will be dealt with immediately by SSGC Officials. **I will, therefore, try to uphold these standards by:**

- playing fairly, and applying the appropriate golf rules and standards, both on and off the golf course.
- being prompt, well organised, and dressing appropriately, when attending any golfing sessions.
- showing respect for other people’s differences regardless of what they are, including gender, disability, culture, race, ethnicity, age, social orientation, and religious belief, and challenging any discrimination and prejudice that I become aware of.
- treating other people as I would expect to be treated myself, and speaking out if I feel I am being unfairly treated by an adult or another child.
- behaving respectfully towards coaches, organisers, volunteers, parents and staff.
- taking note of all the advice I receive with regard to personal behaviour and improving my skills.
- adhering to all instructions given, and restrictions placed upon me, by all adults who look after me.
- helping to create and maintain an environment free from fear and harassment.

I will not:

- take part in any irresponsible, offensive, inappropriate activities such as criticising others, name calling, verbal or physical bullying of any description.
- criticise or be disrespectful to/about others either in person, through text, e-mail, or social networking.
- participate in any illegal activities, including, smoking, swearing, consuming alcohol, or drug taking.
- leave the premises without informing those adults taking care of me, and certainly not without the permission of my parents.

If I get injured in the course of my activities, I will report the matter immediately to an appropriate adult.

Signatures: young person: Parent:

Signature: Committee Member: Role:

CONSENT WITH REGARD TO PHOTOGRAPHS (Read the Policy first)

The SSGC recognises the need to ensure the welfare and safety of all children in golf. So, as part of our commitment to ensure their safety we will not permit photographs, video images or other images of your child to be taken (except where some incidental inclusion may not be possible to avoid), or used without your consent. The SSGC will follow guidance for the use of images of children, as detailed within the Safeguarding Children and Young Peoples Policy. We will take steps to ensure these images are used solely for the purposes for which they are intended i.e. the promotion and celebration of the activities of the club. We will try to ensure that any image of a child, where consent has not been obtained, will not be published. If you become aware that images are being used inappropriately, you should inform the Club Welfare Officer immediately. Some photographs may be available on the website. If at any time either you - the parent/ carer or child - wish the data to be removed from the website, seven days’ notice must be given to the Club Welfare Officer, after which the data will be removed.

To be completed by parent/carers

I, (parent’s name) consent to SOUTH STAFFS GOLF CLUB photographing or videoing (name of child) under the stated rules and conditions. I confirm I have legal parental responsibility for this child and am entitled to give this consent.

Signature Date

To be completed by child

I consent to **SSGC Officers** photographing or videoing me under the stated rules and conditions. Signature Date

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PARENTS and CARERS

I have brought my child to **South Staffordshire Golf Club** because they have chosen to follow the sport of golf - at this level - for themselves, and I am happy to sign the consent form to enable my child to do this. I am hoping, that with sufficient support and encouragement, from myself and the club, they will make good progress. I understand that the club will need help from me in order for this to happen. So, I will:

- ensure my child follows the Club Code of Conduct for children.
- be punctual for the start and end of the golfing sessions, and ensure my child knows what time I am picking him / her up. If I am going to be late, I will inform the appropriate people in good time.
- ensure my child is dressed appropriately according to club rules, and arrives with all the necessary equipment, such as, correct footwear and waterproof clothing - in case of bad weather conditions.
- provide the coach with all the necessary details he / she will need in case of emergency.
- keep a record of the club phone numbers and keep my mobile phone active whilst my child is in your care.
- report to and update the Club with any changes relevant to my child's welfare, such as, any injuries they may have acquired, or any changes in their general good health.
- show appreciation for, and give support to, all coaches, volunteers and general staff involved with my child.
- support the Club in matters of discipline.
- accept the decisions and judgements made by officials at all events and competitions.
- be responsible for driving my child to, and collecting my child from external competitions unless I have been informed of and agreed to alternative arrangements.
- try to ensure my child becomes familiar with, and understands, the rules of golf.
- not put my child under pressure or push them into activities they do not wish to do.
- not leave my child unattended on the activity premises.

I have the right to:

- expect that my child will be safeguarded whilst participating in Club activities.
- be asked for consent on issues such as my child being taken on trips, being photographed, or being involved in media publicity.
- have my concerns listened to with regard to my child's welfare.

Should it be necessary to voice any concerns with regard to the progress or well-being of my child I will do this with the appropriate people, in a polite and considerate manner.

I expect to be informed of any injuries that my child might incur whilst playing golf and will provide details to enable someone to act in loco parentis if necessary.

I understand that any breach of this code of conduct will be dealt with immediately by SSGC Officials, and that persistent breaches may result in the child being unable to attend Club sessions.

I have read and understood the Club Safeguarding Policy and Procedures.

Signature of Parent: date:

Childs Name: