

ALTON CANOE CLUB

CODE OF CONDUCT

Alton Canoe Club believes that all paddlers, volunteers, leaders and parents should show respect and understanding for each other and conduct themselves in a way that reflects the principles of the Club.

The aim is for all paddlers to improve performance and have fun.

Everyone involved in the Club should abide by the Club Safety Framework.

Paddlers

- Take care of all property belonging to the club or club members.
- Treat other club members with respect at all times, on and off the water
- Treat other paddlers as you would want to be treated yourself.
- Control tempers and avoid behaviour which may affect or upset others.
- Co-operate and listen to your leaders or committee members.
- Not to consume alcohol or use drugs or other prohibited substances before or during paddling.

Club Committee members, Leaders and Volunteers

- Consider the wellbeing and safety of paddlers before the development of performance.
- Develop an appropriate working relationship with club members, based on mutual trust and respect.
- Make sure all activities are appropriate to the age, ability and experience of those taking part.
- Display consistently high standards of behaviour and appearance.
- Follow Paddle UK and club guidelines and policies.
- Encourage paddlers to value their performance and not just results.
- Never condone the use of prohibited substances.
- No consumption of alcohol or use of drugs or other substances before or during paddling.

Parents/Guardians

- Support your child's involvement and help them to enjoy the sport.
- Never force your child to take part in sport.
- Use correct and proper language at all times.
- Set a good example by applauding good performances of all paddlers.
- Help your child to recognise good performance, not just results.
- Never punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes.
- Publicly accept official's judgements.
- If you consider the proposed activity is too much or beyond your child's capability, you must raise this with the club official responsible before or during the activity.

Signed _____ Date _____ Chairman Name _____