

GUELPH MINOR TRACK & FIELD CLUB

COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT

The function of a coach is to ensure a positive experience for all athletes regardless of ability.

Each athlete should be treated with the utmost respect, and his or her welfare should be considered in decisions by the coach at all times.

As a coach, you will be a positive role model for the athletes and demonstrate fair play and sportsmanship

Act professionally and take responsibility for your actions.

Be aware that you have a tremendous influence on the education of the athletes and, thus, shall never place the value of winning above the value of instilling the highest ideals of character.

Exert your influence to enhance sportsmanship by assistant coaches, players, parents and those associated with the team with special emphasis on respecting the rights, dignity and worth of athletes, coaches, other volunteers, friends and spectators.

Respect and support meet officials and not indulge in conduct which would incite players or spectators against the officials.

Ensure your language, manner, punctuality, preparation and presentation demonstrate high standards of professionalism as you are a representative of Guelph Minor Track & Field Club

Provide a physically and emotionally safe environment for practices and competition.

Exhibit sound injury and risk management practices and will encourage athletes to seek medical advice when required.

Be fair, considerate and honest with athletes and communicate with athletes using simple, clear language.