



Bicester & North Oxford CC

Guidelines on Transporting Children to Cricket Matches and Training

To ensure the Club meets all the requirements under ECB Child Protection guidelines, we have produced these guidelines for parents, coaches, children, senior players and senior captains so they are aware of the club rules about the transportation of children (those under 18 years of age) to and from matches and training.

Senior matches:

- When a junior player is selected to play senior cricket, it is the responsibility of the parent/carer and **not** the captain/Club to organise transport to and from matches.

If this takes the form of a parent organising for their child(ren) to travel with the rest of the team:

The parent:

- Must give consent in writing
- Acknowledges the arrangement is an informal one between the parent/carer and the player, not the parent/carer and the Club
- Consents in full knowledge of any risks involved

The senior player:

- Must protect him/herself by ensuring they are never alone with the junior player, preferably by having a DBS-checked adult present
- Must sit in the front seat of the car, with the junior player(s) in the rear seat(s)

The Club:

Is not party to the arrangement, and can accept no responsibility

Junior training/matches:

- It is the responsibility of parents/carers and not the coach/team manager to ensure that their children are transported to and from junior matches and training.
- Bicester & North Oxford CC coaches and club staff will be responsible for children in our care when on club premises or on arrival at opponents' cricket grounds.

- The club will ensure that we notify parents/carers that they are responsible for the safe delivery and collection of their child for matches or training when joining the club. This is printed on the BNOCC junior membership form.
- The club will produce fixture lists in advance for home and away league, friendly or competition matches to provide parents/carers with an opportunity to make appropriate arrangements.
- We will ensure that we receive permission from parents/carers for children to participate in all competitions and away fixtures/events.
- If you have any questions over these guidelines please do not hesitate to contact our Welfare Officer or any other member of staff at the club.

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