



Bicester & North Oxford CC

Managing Children Away from BNOCC Cricket Ground

In any given season, the potential exists for 50% of league & shield matches being played away from BNOCC. This statistic does not include festivals or similar events. It is sensible therefore for BNOCC have a robust and considered generic protocol in place that will be able to fit all occasions in order for it to demonstrate the Club's duty of care for children in their teams. This section covers the subject of children being taken away from the Club's normal base location / home ground, and provides guidance to help BNOCC to define their own policies in connection with the effective management of such children whilst they are in the Club's care. It is important to stress that these guidelines also apply to adult teams where one or more players are under the age of 18.

- For away matches, age group managers are to inform parents of the following – meeting point, venue, directions and times including estimated time of return.
- Parents must be made aware that it is their responsibility to provide adequate transport to away matches.
- Under no circumstances should age group managers provide transport to or from away matches to unaccompanied children.
- It is the manager's responsibility to take the team kit bag to away matches.
- For children playing in adult away matches, it is the captain's responsibility to ensure parents are aware of all transport arrangements and contact numbers.
- The club's policy on tours, or trips that involve an overnight stay, is available from BNOCCs Welfare Officer.