



MOBILE PHONE POLICY



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Beas Cheerleading fosters a 'culture of safety' in which the children, young people, contractors and volunteers are protected from abuse, harm, and distress. We therefore have a clear policy on the acceptable use of mobile phones that is understood and adhered to by everyone: contractors, volunteers, children and parents. Abiding by the terms of the club's mobile phone policy ensures that we all:

- Protect children from harm and abuse
- Prevent contractors and volunteers from being subject to false allegations
- Help all coaches and volunteers remain focused on the care of athletes
- Work in an open and transparent environment.

Coaches and Volunteers use of mobile phones

Personal mobile phones belonging to contractors and volunteers are to be stored in the kitchen during working hours, except when the mobile is being used to play music.

If a coach or volunteer needs to make an urgent personal call they can use the club phone or make a personal call from their mobile in a permitted area such as the kitchen and or hallway.

If a coach or volunteer has a family emergency or similar and needs to keep their mobile phone to hand, prior permission must be sought from the Head coach or Director.

Under no circumstances may coaches or volunteers use their personal mobile phones to take photographs at the club during working hours.

Athlete's use of mobile phones

Whilst we understand that some children and young people have mobile phones, we actively discourage them from using their phones within the club.

The club does not accept any responsibility for loss or damage to mobile phones brought to the club by the child/young person.

Children/young people must not use their mobile phone to take photographs of any kind whilst at the club.

If they want a photograph of a particular stunt, tumble, jump or dance they can ask a member of the coaching team or volunteer to take one using the club camera.



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Visitors' use of mobile phones

In the interest of safeguarding we ask all parents and visitors not to use their phones or other mobile devices on club premises. Taking photographs by parents or visitors is strictly prohibited. If a parent would like to have a photograph of their child involved in the training session, they can ask a member of the coaching team to take one using the club camera.

Written in accordance with the Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage (2017): Safeguarding and Welfare requirements: Introduction [3.2] and Child protection [3.7].

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