

BEAS

UNCOLLECTED CHILDREN POLICY



Uncollected Children Policy

Beas Cheerleading endeavours to ensure that all children are collected by a parent or carer at the end of each session. If a child is not collected, and the parent or carer has not notified us that they will be delayed, we will follow the procedure set out below:

Up to 15 minutes late

- When the parent or carer arrives they will be reminded that they must call the Club to notify us if they are delayed.
- The parent or carer will be informed that penalty fees will have to be charged if continuously late (unless the delay was genuinely unavoidable).

Over 15 minutes late

- If a parent or carer is more than 15 minutes late in collecting their child, the Senior coach or volunteer will try to contact them using the contact details on file.
- If there is no response from the parent or carer, messages will be left requesting that they contact the Club immediately. The senior or volunteer coach will then try to contact the emergency contacts listed on the child's registration form.
- While waiting to be collected, the child will be supervised by a members of the coaching team and or volunteer.
- When the parent or carer arrives they will be reminded that they must call the Club to notify us if they are delayed, and that penalty fees will have to be charged if it should happen again (except in exceptional circumstances).

Over 30 minutes late

- If the Senior coach has been unable to contact the child's parents or carers after 30 minutes, the Head coach will contact the local Social Care team for advice.
- The child will remain in the care of the Club's coaches and or volunteers, on the Club's premises if possible, until collected by the parent or carer, or until placed in the care of the Social Care team.
- If it is not possible for the child to remain at the Club's premises, a note will be left on the door of the Club informing the child's parent or carer where the child has been taken (e.g. to the home of a club coach, volunteer or into the care of a safeguarding agency) and leaving a contact number. A further message will be left on the parent or carer's telephone explaining events.

Managing persistent lateness

Coaches will record incidents of late collection and will notify the Director. The Director will then discuss the incidents' with the child's parents or carers. Parents and carers will be reminded that if they persistently collect their child late they may lose their place at the Club.

Useful contacts

Social Care: 0345 600 9009

Social Care out of hours contact: 01483 517 898

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