



## **PARENTS / CARERS / SUPPORTERS CODE OF CONDUCT**

As a parent, carer and supporter of Wilmslow Lightning Club, please work within the following guidelines:

1. Do not force an unwilling child to participate in netball.
2. Remember children are involved in netball for their enjoyment not yours.
3. Encourage your children to play to the rules and not to argue with umpires or other officials.
4. Teach your child that honest effort is more important than victory so that the result of each game is accepted without undue disappointment.
5. Turn losing into winning by helping your child to work towards skill improvement and good sportsmanship.
6. Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game.
7. Be realistic about your child's ability.
8. Remember that children learn best by example. Applaud good play by your team and by members of the opposition.
9. Do not question the umpire's decisions or honesty. Remember he/she is only human with the same feelings as you, and like you, can sometimes make an honest error.
10. Recognise the importance and value of coaches / team leaders / committee members who are volunteers. They give their time and resources to provide netball for your child.
11. Read the rules of netball to understand better what you are watching and commenting on.
12. Be punctual when collecting and delivering your child to training and matches.
13. Inform the coach or team manager if your child unwell. Children who are unwell or injured should not play unless supported by a doctor's note.
14. Always use appropriate language and ensure your child does the same.
15. Positive encouragement is welcome at all times. However, coaching by parents from the side lines is not allowed. The only person expected to coach from the side lines is the Coach.
16. Promote this Code of Conduct to other parents, carers and supporters.
17. In the case of a Grievance or Complaint, follow the Club's confidential Complaints Policy and do not copy or involve other parents or carers in this process.



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_