

Club Children's Officer

The Club Children's Officer should be child centred in focus and have as their primary aim the establishment of a youth centred ethos within the Club. They are the link between the children and the adults in the Club. They also take responsibility for monitoring and reporting to the

Club Management Committee on how Club Policy & Procedures impact on the young people and Coaches. Both male and female Children's Officers are required where both genders are catered for in the Club.

The Club Children's Officer will have the following functions:

- To ensure that Gymnasts, Coaches, Parents/Guardians, Officials and Spectators are aware of and adhere to the 'Code of Ethics & Good Practice for Youth Sport in Gymnastics Ireland'
- To attend a 'Basic Awareness Workshop' (organised by GymnasticsIreland or a local Sports Partnership) or a 'Safeguarding Children in Sport in NI workshop' (organised by Sport NI)
- To promote awareness of 'Basic Awareness' and 'Safeguarding Children in Sport' courses for all adults
- To influence policy and practice within the Club in order to prioritise children's needs
- To encourage the involvement of Parents/Guardians in organising Club activities and to cooperate with Parents in ensuring that every young person enjoy their involvement with the Club
- To establish good links with local schools involved in the promotion of Gymnastics
- To ensure that all Coaches have the relevant level of coaching accreditation appropriate to the level of the gymnast
- Take responsibility for on-going education of the Code within the Club (hold information sessions during the year)
- To ensure that age appropriate equipment is available
- To attend any internal information sessions and seminars organised by Gymnastics Ireland for Children's Officers.