



SUTTON STORM BASKETBALL CLUB



Transport Policy for Juniors

Parents are responsible for ensuring the safe transportation of their child to and from training and to all matches. The club cannot take responsibility for organising transport or lifts for any child with any other parent, if parents want to organise offering or accept an offer of a lift for their child then this can be done by parents independently and without the clubs involvement. If parents do offer or accept lifts for their children, then we advise parents to read the NSPCC guidelines on transporting a child or young people in your car.

Why the club won't take responsibility of transporting children or young people?

The issue of transporting children to and from their sports activities safely can present challenges for sports club. If we as a club organise transportation, then it's our responsibility to take reasonable steps to safeguard these children and young people for whom we have a duty of care. The guidelines we'd have to adhere to would add considerable overhead to the club/volunteer's workload and we already have a shortage of volunteers, such as drivers would need to be DBS checked and we'd to check insurance, MOT and drivers licence.

Guidance for coaches, (coaches will have been DBS checked in order to coach)

Coaches should seek agreement from the committee if they are willing to provide lifts to children young people in their own car/vehicle, they will need to provide proof of valid car insurance, MOT and driver's licence. Only when consent has been given by the committee should they offer lifts. If they the do offer lifts they must:

- Inform parents of transport arrangements
- There should be at least 2 children in the car at any time
- You must have the parents contact details in case of break down
- You must provide your contact details to parents