

## SOCIAL MEDIA ACCEPTABLE USE STATEMENT

Wiltshire Tennis understands the importance of new technology for children and young people's development. However, we recognise that relevant safeguards need to be put in place at our training camps and on our trips to ensure children remain safe while online or using social media.

We ask that all parents / carers spend a few minutes to read through and discuss this statement with their child/children.

- I will be responsible for my behaviour when using the internet and social media, including the content I access and how I conduct myself.
- I will not deliberately create, browse or access material that could be considered offensive or illegal. If I accidentally come across any such material, I will report this to my team captain or County Cup Captain. I understand that my electronic devices may need to be temporarily confiscated if I am found to have deliberately accessed such material.
- I will not use social media or the internet to send anyone material that could be considered threatening, offensive, upsetting, bullying or illegal.
- I will not communicate personal comments of an inappropriate nature, especially when referring to the world of tennis.
- I understand that I should only use the venue/county official social media or website communication channels to contact them and should not seek out individual members of staff or coaches.
- I will ensure any messages I send to coaches, volunteers or other members of staff are about my tennis activity and nothing else.
- I understand that all my use of internet and social media is potentially visible to everyone in the online world and that any issues involving my behaviour online may be addressed by Wiltshire Tennis or County Cup Captain/or other staff or committee members at the county.
- I will not give out any of my personal information such as name, age, address or telephone number online.
- I will not share my passwords with anyone else.
- I will not arrange to meet someone that I have met online unless accompanied by an authorised member of staff or parent/carer.
- I understand that these rules are designed to keep me safe and if they are not followed my parents/carers may be contacted.
- I will avoid using my mobile or smartphone during activities (or after the agreed bedtime curfew for certain County Cup trips) as I understand that it will have an impact on my safety and my opportunity to learn and achieve.
- I am aware that if I am experiencing bullying behaviour or abuse online, I can contact the Team Captain, Head Coach, Head of Tennis, or County Safeguarding Officer: [safeguarding@wiltshiretennis.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@wiltshiretennis.org.uk)
- I know I can also contact Childline on 0800 11 11 or NSPCC 0808 800500 or [help@NSPCC.org.uk](mailto:help@NSPCC.org.uk) if I have any worries about something I've seen or experienced online.