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**TAUNTON CANOE CLUB – YOUTH CODE OF CONDUCT**

As a youth paddler taking part in a Taunton Canoe Club activity, you should:

* Help create and maintain an environment free of fear and harassment.
* Demonstrate fair play and apply British Canoeing’s standards both on and off the water.
* Understand that you have the right to be treated as an individual.
* Respect the advice that you receive.
* Treat others as you would wish to be treated yourself.
* Respect other people and their differences.
* Look out for yourself and for the welfare of others.
* Speak out (to your parents or a club representative) if you consider that you or others have been poorly treated.
* Tell someone in authority if you are leaving the venue.
* Accept that these guidelines are in place for the well-being of all concerned.
* Treat organisers and coaches with respect.
* Observe instructions or restrictions requested by the adults looking after you.
* Be organised and on time, or inform your coach if you are going to be late.
* Take care of all property belonging to the club or any club member – and be responsible for caring for your own equipment and clothing.
* You should not take part in any irresponsible, abusive, inappropriate or illegal behaviour which includes: Using offensive language. Publicly using critical or disrespectful descriptions of others either in person or through text, email or social network sites.
* You should not smoke or consume alcohol / drugs of any kind whilst on club premises or representing the club at events.

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