



# SHOREHAM R.F.C.



## PARENTIAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Concerns have been raised by Managers and Coaches over the increasing number of children attending matches and training without a responsible adult.

As you will appreciate accidents can happen within our sport and, on rare occasions, these can require more than the “magic sponge” and reassurance. This has been more apparent than usual in recent seasons, thus highlighting the need for parents or guardians to stay in the park with their child.

Legally a child is someone under the age of 18, which covers all our age groups, and there is a need for an adult to accompany each child and take responsibility for them. Managers, coaches and first aiders cannot assume this role. Please do not send your child to rugby training or matches alone. The Club will not accept responsibility should anything happen if you decide to allow your child to walk to and from rugby on their own. If a child without their parent/guardian needed to go to hospital for any reason or was taken poorly during the session who would take responsibility for them? The Club is run by volunteers; it is not acceptable to expect them to take on this responsibility.

If you are unable to attend personally you will need to agree with an alternative designated adult for their help. (This nominated individual will also be expected to go to hospital with your child should an ambulance be called). It is important that your child makes the Team Manager aware of who their responsible adult is.

These guidelines also extend to mid-week training sessions as well.

In addition to the protection for the children, players seem to play better when they have supporters to cheer them on, let's get behind our children and show our support.

The Club is not a drop off facility and will not be held responsible should you not accompany your child to or from the ground or decide not to stay with them whilst they are training and/or playing rugby.

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