

## **Bury Rangers FC**

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## **Drop off & Collection Policy**

Bury Rangers Football Club naturally take the safety of children very seriously. This policy sets out what you can expect from us and, in return, what we expect from parents/carers in relation to drop off and collection at Bury Rangers FC activities. Please read this policy carefully as it forms part of your conditions of membership.

We always recommend and ask that parents/carers remain present throughout any Bury Rangers FC activities their child is part of. Aside from providing support and encouragement, which is important to so many children, physical activity always poses some risk of injury. While we naturally take precautions to minimise risk of accidents, on the very rare occasion an incident occurs that requires medical attention, our primary concern must always be the welfare of the child. Spending time attempting to contact a parent/carer in such situations, causing concern to the parent/carer and a potentially dangerous rushed return trip, is something we would prefer to avoid.

However, we also recognise that on some occasions it may be necessary for a child to be dropped off and collected from activities. Coaches and the Club cannot accept responsibility for your young person until they are received into our care. As such we must stress that it is your responsibility to ensure the child's safe transition from your care to that of the appropriate Bury Rangers FC coach – e.g. at training or at a match. Before leaving a child in our care, it is also your responsibility to ensure we are in possession of accurate contact details and we are aware of any medical conditions, this includes providing related equipment – e.g. Asthma inhalers etc. Situations may also occur where an activity has to be cut short or cancelled at short notice (e.g. sudden adverse weather, accident etc.), which requires the child to be collected earlier than originally scheduled.

## Parents/Carers therefore agree to;

- Ensure children arrive promptly for all Bury Rangers activities
- Ensure all children in their care are escorted to the activity and visibly into the care of the Coach
- Not drop children off or collect children in the car park leaving them to find their own way
- Ensure Coaches are properly informed of any medical condition and medication/equipment is present
- Ensure the Coach has accurate contact details for you and at least one other emergency contact
- Ensure your mobile phone is always functioning and audible whenever your child is in our care
- Arrive at least 5 minutes before the scheduled end of any activity
- Inform the Coach directly if there is any change in arrangements with regard to collection of a child\*
- Understand that under FA Safeguarding our Coaches are only permitted to transport their own children.
- \* If a parent/carer is delayed for any reason, it is also the parent/carer's responsibility to make suitable arrangements for an authorised adult to collect the child/children from the activity on their behalf.

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