

SHARECROFT GYMNASTICS CLUB SAFETY & RISK ASSESSMENT POLICY

Health & Safety legislation places an obligation on the Club to assess the risk of accident to coaches, parents, members and non-members partaking in gymnastic activities. The head coach is responsible to carry out a regular risk assessment check on the facility and the club will ensure any identified risk is addressed and minimised.

Accident and Safety Procedures

In the event of a serious accident or injury only qualified persons are to carry out emergency First Aid. The emergency services must be contacted and medical help sought from qualified medical personnel.

However, the following minimum procedure should be adopted in the event of any accident that occurs: -

- Stop the class and direct other members of the class not immediately involved in the accident, away from the injured person, and contact the First Aider and/or the emergency services.
- Do not move someone with suspected major injuries. Ensure that the remainder of the group is adequately supervised.
- Complete an appropriate Accident Report Form describing the accident and the actions taken. Once this has been done pass to the head coach to send off to British Gymnastics and the clubs' insurers.
- First aid bag is stored under the stage at Blackfordby and in the cupboard at Greenbank.

Insurance

Sharecroft Gymnastics Club holds all relevant insurances to include:

- Public Liability

- Property Insurance
- Coaches individual insurances

Risk Assessments

Sharecroft Gymnastics Club recognises its responsibility to provide and maintain a safe facility and safe equipment. The head coach is responsible to conduct regular safety checks on the equipment and any defects will be reported immediately. The defective equipment will immediately be taken out of commission and will not be used, under any circumstance, until the deficiencies are rectified, and a satisfactory safety check performed. Safety checks must be conducted and the check list completed every term. Check lists are stored in the gymnastics club cupboard. It is also required that all staff and/or coaches shall take a day-to-day responsibility with regard to equipment or facility defects and report these to the Head Coach.