



## Appendix 1

### Introduction to the Code of Ethics and Good Practice for Children's Sport

The Code of Ethics and Good Practice for Children's Sport is for the benefit of everyone involved in children's sport including children, parents/ guardians, coaches and leaders. The Code is built upon a number of core principles relating to the importance of childhood, the needs of the child, integrity and fair play, and relationships and safety in children's sport. It addresses issues relating to the roles and responsibilities of all involved in children's sport, and underpins the importance of policies and procedures in providing quality leadership for children in sport. It outlines principles of good practice and child protection policy and procedures.

Sligo Tennis Club is committed to implementing the core principles with the club. The work of the **Children's Officer** at club level is instrumental in implementing the Code.

The full Code of Ethics and good practice for Children's sport manual is available to download [www.sportireland.ie/Participation/Code\\_of\\_Ethics/](http://www.sportireland.ie/Participation/Code_of_Ethics/)

### Code of Ethics Safe Sport App

The Sport Ireland Safe Sport app is based on the Code of Ethics & Good Practice for Children's Sport. It is an information and guidance tool for everyone involved in sport for children and young people. The app is aimed at creating greater awareness and understanding about safeguarding and best practice principles in children's sport.

There are four key areas of the app which can be accessed from the home screen:

Leader/Coach

Parent/Guardian

Club/Organisation

Child/ Young Person

Within each section information and guidance is provided on "fair play", "good practice", "a child centred approach" and "should or should not". The app addresses how to report child welfare and protection concerns of suspected child abuse to TULSA Child and Family Agency and poor practice to the Club Children's Officer or National Children's Officer.

The App is available to download from the App Store or Google play.