

Partnership Document

Between Players and the Shropshire
Junior County Badminton Club.

SHROPSHIRE



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Shropshire Junior County Badminton Club (SJCBC) is the junior section of the Shropshire Badminton Association and affiliated to Badminton England.

We aim to provide coaching and structured Badminton games to all that are in the Shropshire area with the ultimate aim to get them to achieve the highest playing level possible while getting FUN from the sport.

This document is designed to generate a working partnership by giving guidelines to player and for their parents and guardians while also supplying information for the coaches and assistants of the Shropshire Junior Association.

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We suggest that you print this document and complete this page so that you have a record of when you received it and signed it.

If you require updated versions this document will be available to download from the Shropshire Badminton website

PLAYER

This document was passed to :-

Mr/Miss/Ms

Date of Birth :-/...../.....

Address :-

On

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COACHING SESSIONS

SJCBC will organize coaching sessions which will be managed by a designated registered Badminton England coach, with the assistance of other staff and parents. Any parent or guardians wanting to stay in the sessions or assist are more than welcome and the coaches would appreciate the support. Any sessions which are not organized by a registered coach will be notified to parents at the start of the session and must be treated as 'Unsupervised groups' (The difference being that individuals play at their own risk as no coach is available with BE insurance.)

Coaches will be available before the start of the session time to discuss any issues with parents/guardians and will have a prepared session with an aim for the participants.

WARMUP and COOLDOWN

Badminton England coaches are required to do a warmup at the start of a session to prevent injury and increase flexibility. Coaches will do a basic warmup before any physical work, but it is recommended that players arrive before the session time and add their own warmup in addition.

As the end of the session is usually games and players will be completing games at various time, it is strongly advised that players wrap up warm and complete their own cooldown and stretch out routine, coaches will be available to assist with giving a basic structure if required. Proper cooldown stretches will increase flexibility and prevent cramps and stiffness and is especially important if long travel is directly afterwards.

TIMES and TIMEKEEPING.

Session times will be given in the invitation letters and it is recommended that you arrive early to prepare for the session or match. Players that repeatedly arrive late to avoid warmup will be asked to do their own warm up, solo and will have to

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miss some of the training. We understand that sometimes players will have to arrive late or leave early due to other events and family activities, please just explain to the coach.

VENUES

SJCBC use facilities at local schools and council/private leisure centers, and It is important that we are seen as good customers by all of these. All players, parents and supporters must treat all the facilities and their staff with great respect. Any issues/damage should be reported to your COACH at the earliest opportunity and they will discuss with the venue staff

CONDUCT.

It is expected that all players will conduct themselves in a suitable manner as they are representing the SJCBC and their County. It is expected that in matches and in training sessions players will demonstrate the normal badminton ethics

- Pass the shuttle back to the opposition in a polite manner
- Make suitable line calls with confidence, if there is any doubt suggest a 'let' is played
- Accept the calls of the opposition, if you have doubts just politely ask if they are certain.
- At the end of a game shake hands with ALL the other players
- All decisions made by your coach are final, do not argue about team or partner selections.
- Do not tapper with shuttles altering speed or flight
- Do not use poor or loud language. Others can be offended by yelling and swearing on court. We all get frustrated and this is understood, but there are other ways to express this.

In the case of gross misconduct a player may be requested to leave a session while their conduct is discussed, in the case of minor misconduct the player will just get a private discussion with the coach of an official. In either case the parent or guardian will be spoken to and may receive a written report

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FLUID LEVELS

It is extremely important that when taking part in the sessions fluid is taken in, in small amounts frequently. The only time this is not required is when coaches are doing long aerobic fitness training which must be continuous, in this situation time will be given at the end for recovery and taking of fluids. Players must bring their own water bottles filled with water or non-carbonated juice, continual trips to vending machines and toilets taking players out of sessions are not desired.

Please note that it is not really hygienic to be filling water bottles from taps in leisure centers or school halls and SJCBC take no responsibility for illness caused by this action.

If any spillage occurs it is the player's responsibility to get it tidied up and the area made safe, remember spilt fluid is VERY dangerous on a smooth floor.

EQUIPMENT

Badminton rackets can be loaned to players that are new to the sport and do not have their own racket. Suitable sports clothing must be worn, school PE kit is equally as good as branded clothing, but you must have warm tops and bottoms to cover up after and if required during the session. Light court shoes or squash/badminton shoes with non-marking soles are required. Running shoes with projecting sides and toe wraps are not ideal as they prevent quick movement, and could result in tripping. Whatever shoes are to be worn in the session must NOT BE WORN OUTSIDE and must be clean when put on in the hall. A towel in the sports bag is also a good idea as you should be getting hot and sweaty. Coaches and SJCBC staff know lots about suitable kit so if you have any questions please ask their advice. If a player is asked to play for the SJCBC County team at any level, there may be team shirts or tracksuits available, if a player is finding the cost of any of this equipment too high then please discuss with SJCBC staff and we may be able to find a way to assist.

PICTURES, VIDEO and DATABASE

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By taking part in SJCBC sessions you agree to the following policy, if a parent/guardian wishes a player to opt out of this policy then they must make that wish known in writing to the SJCBC, and will receive an acknowledgment that we will do everything to avoid their inclusion.

SJCBC will take video and pictures (or get a third party to record) for both training purposes and also for promotion of Badminton in the area. The promotion may be printed or soft copy to a website or Badminton social media. The organizers will only use material which is suitable and does not show any individual in anything but a suitable pose. Pictures will be made available to parents if possible on request.

SJCBC understand that parents will want to take pictures at matches and tournaments of their players, and we do not want to prevent this. With the increased use of Smart Phones and other electronic equipment it is not possible to control pictures taken by other player and their parents/guardians, but we would strongly request that they take these for personal use and do not publish them or add them to social media.

SJCBC will create databases either in paper form or in electronic computer files, for the use of SJCBC, SBA and BE., this data will only be used for Badminton use and will not be passed to any unrelated third parties. All data activity in SJCBC is conducted under the European GDPR legislation and the SJCBC policy on data protection is available in DOWNLOADS. Players leaving the SJCBC will have their records kept unless requested to remove them. Parents/Guardians will be asked at the start of each season to check and amend the data to ensure that it is correct, forms in the DOWNLOADS section on the website contain requests for the basic data and when completed can be sent in at any time to update our records

INCIDENT and ACCIDENT MANAGEMENT.

The staff at a session will have the safety of all participants and assistants as prime importance. Many Badminton England coaches will have undergone First Aid training and should have an in-date certificate or one recently expired. By

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putting your child into these coaching sessions that should there be an accident, you agree for the attending staff to treat an injuries and if required refer the casualty to a hospital/doctor. The staff will attempt to communicate with the contacts given in the forms at the time, if not they will discuss the situation post-accident and an accident form will be completed.

HEALTH and TREATMENT.

The coaches and other staff do not need to have a full medical history, but it is important that any issues with physical or medical health that may be relevant to physical exercise should be informed BEFORE they attend a session. They will not be excluded from sessions, but coaches need to be aware so they can monitor. Conditions such as asthma, Diabetes, high blood pressure, heart conditions, fainting and Epilepsy (Seizures) must be reported and any medication brought to the sessions and be available to the coaches. Coaches will not carry or administer any tablets or drugs, they are not doctors and cannot assist with anything except medication prescribed to the person.

TRANSPORTATION.

Players and assistants may have transport arranged by the association. If a third party bus or taxis is used it is expected that players will respect both the driver and the vehicle and leave it in a state similar to that in which it was entered. If the transport is supplied by a parent or official in their own private vehicle it is done so on a 'Friends' transport basis and is not considered as officially arranged and will be done on the drivers own vehicle insurance.

LOST/FOUND PROPERTY.

The association is not responsible for any player's property so has no liability for any loss or damage. It is strongly suggested that no items of value are brought to the sessions and that no expensive earrings or jewelry are taken into the sports

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hall. Although some of the match days are long, task will be given to the non-playing players so no electrical products should be required. Please also remember that matches are attended by opposition players and associates and many of the sports halls we use are public spaces, so it is not only your squad members that may have opportunity.

Items left behind at sessions that have a name in or can be identified, will be returned at the earliest opportunity, or will be made available for collection. Anything left that cannot be identified will be kept for one term and then be disposed of.

PRESS RELEASE, EMAIL AND SOCIAL MEDIA.

The SJCBC may release press articles including pictures that will support the work of SJCBC and will be a fair and balanced opinion of the sessions and matches played. They may also lead threads on social media or comment to others, all of this will be positive comments promoting the work of the SCJBC, the play of the players and supporting the assistants.

We encourage players, player's family and guardians to actively promote the work of the SCJBC by adding their own posts and articles, but ask everyone to be mindful of the audience and to make all comments positive and supportive. It is not acceptable to use social media as a tool to slander or be abusive to other players (This includes the opposition in matches), officials and coaches. Also consider that comments made on the internet can surface many years later and be taken totally out of context so think hard before making any strong opinions. Also only post pictures of other players that have given you permission to add to the internet.

DRUGS, ALCHOL and SUBSTANCE ABUSE

The SJCBC has a zero tolerance approach to this, but acknowledge that players may have issues. If players have such issues then they must be bought to the coaches and assistants notice and will be considered as a medical condition.

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However any players trying to deal drugs or in any way promote substance abuse will instantly be removed.

PLAYER WELFARE

If any player wishes to talk to SJCBC staff about any issue they are available to listen, but it is better to request to talk either before/after the session so that it does not affect the overall session. Coaches and officials are not trained counselors but can listen and suggest others to talk too. A suggested route for counselling would be

1. The designated session coach.
2. Any other coach.
3. Any other SJCBC official. Secretary, treasurer or chairman
4. The person designated as WELFARE OFFICER in the organization.

If the welfare issue is a formal complaint of a serious nature about the coaching team it should first be raised with the SJCBC chairman or Secretary who will investigate and if required involve officials from a third party body. We will take all such complaints very seriously.

SESSION ARCHITECTURE and PLANNING.

The aims and Targets of the sessions in a term should be made aware to all participants and to parents and guardians if required, although coaches may change this as playing standards are assessed and games played.

It should always be possible for participants to know what is expected and what the overall target is, we do not run "Blind" sessions.

PERSONAL PERFORMANCE REVIEWS.

The target is for SJCBC to provide each individual with a person report at the end of each term, which will give information to the player and the parent/guardian such as attendance, progress, weaknesses, strengths, results, behavior and

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personal attributes. We may not be able to achieve this in early stages but hope to be able to develop this as our data recording improves. If a parent or guardian wants any performance data they only need to ask and we will do everything possible to support the request. This includes support on school/College applications and things such as DEA schemes.

FITNESS/PSYCHOLOGICAL ANALYSIS and GAME DATA AWARENESS.

There is more to sport than just practice and games. We will try to support players in all areas of the sports development and may seek support and expertise from other bodies. We will try and assist with psychological analysis around why games are won or lost, this is a key to getting a team that “Knows they can win”. We will also ask players to score games and matches to record when points were lost and won and WHY. This makes them understand the importance of every point to assist other squad players building a support unit. It will also help them understand where they have to work on their own game and how to analysis the weaknesses of an opponent.