

Tao Yin Arts

Code of conduct for children and young people



Note: Where we refer to 'parents' we mean parents and carers inclusively. The term 'children' or 'child' describes any person under the age of 18.

As a young person taking part in our club or activity, we'd like you to follow this guidance to make sure, you are able to participate in the clubs activities safely.

The essentials

- ✓ keep yourself safe by listening to your coach or trainer, behaving responsibly and speak out when something isn't right
- ✓ when you're with us, stay in the places where you're supposed to, don't wander off or leave without telling the senior instructor
- ✓ take care of our equipment and premises as if they were your own
- ✓ make it to practices or sessions on time and if you're running late or can't make it, let the senior instructor know
- ✓ bring the right kit to train in – flat bottomed gym pumps, black kung fu trousers or joggers / leggings (no shorts), black or yellow t-shirt, black hoody
- ✓ do not smoke or consume alcohol at the training hall or during practices, competitions or when representing us

Behaviour

- ✓ respect and celebrate difference in our club or activity and not discriminate against anyone else on the grounds of gender, race, sexual orientation or ability
- ✓ report any incidents of bullying, including homophobia and transphobia to a member of staff, even if you're just a witness
- ✓ treat other young people with respect and appreciate that everyone has different levels of skill and talent
- ✓ make our club or activity a welcoming and friendly place to be
- ✓ support and encourage your club mates. Tell them when they've done well and be there for them when they're struggling
- ✓ respect our staff, and the staff and young players from other teams

✓ be a good sport, celebrate when you and others do well and be gracious when you or others do not

✓ play by the rules and have fun

✓ follow our online safety and internet use policies

✓ get involved in club or activity decisions, it's your club too

As a young person taking part, we understand you have the right to:

✓ enjoy the time you spend with us and know that you're safe

✓ be told who you can talk to if something's not right

✓ be listened to

✓ be included

✓ be involved and contribute towards decisions within the club or activity

✓ be respected by us and other club members and be treated fairly

✓ feel welcomed, valued and not judged based on your race, gender, sexuality or ability

✓ be encouraged and develop skills with our help

✓ be looked after if there's an accident or injury and have your parents informed if needed

Tao Yin Arts Ethos

The ethos of Tao Yin Arts is to teach and learn Hand of the Wind Kung Fu in a safe and harmonious way with humility, respect and integrity at its core. The following codes of conduct are at the core of Tao Yin Arts

✓ Always strive to be humble within yourself and with others around you – for this is the only way to open yourself to fully learning the arts

✓ Always endeavour to find a peaceful solution to conflict

✓ Never harm another, whether it be in the training hall or the outside world

✓ Hand of the Wind Kung Fu should only be as a last resort as a means for self-defence, even then it should be done with control and measure – the techniques within the art are powerful and can lead to serious harm. It is best to walk away, rather than let the ego take over and engage in conflict

✓ The self-defence techniques learned, should not be practised on others who are not training in the arts. They should not be used to show off in the outside world.

We expect all young people to follow the behaviours and requests set out in this code. If any young person behaves in a way which contradicts any of the points set out above, we will address the problem straight away with parent's involvement and aim to resolve the issue.

Continued issues and repeated breaches of this code may result in us regrettably asking you to leave the club permanently, for the welfare of other young people and our staff. This is something we never want to do.

Signature of young person:

Signature of parent:

Date: