



Pudsey Saint Lawrence Cricket Club

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Transport Policy

1. Policy Statement

Pudsey Saint Lawrence Cricket Club is committed to ensuring the safety and wellbeing of all junior players. This Transport Policy provides guidance for parents, carers, coaches and volunteers regarding the safe travel of children to and from cricket activities.

The policy supports the safeguarding principles outlined by the *England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB) Safe Hands guidance*.

2. Responsibility of Parents and Carers

Parents and carers are responsible for the *safe delivery and collection of their child* to and from:

- Training sessions
- Matches
- Club events
- Competitions

It is *not the responsibility of coaches or team managers* to transport children to and from the club or match venues.

Parents and carers should ensure that appropriate travel arrangements are made for their child before training sessions or matches.

3. Communication of Away Fixtures

Pudsey Saint Lawrence Cricket Club coaches and team managers will provide *advance information* about:

- Away matches
- Competitions
- Tournament events

This information will be shared *as soon as practicable* to allow parents and carers sufficient time to organise transport arrangements.

4. Parental Permission

PSLCC will ensure that *parental or carer permission is obtained* for children to participate in:

- Matches
- Competitions
- Away fixtures
- Club events

Permission will normally be provided during the *registration or signing-on process* at the start of the season.

5. Supervision of Children

Coaches and club staff are responsible for the *supervision and care of children*:

- While they are on *club premises*
- During *training sessions or matches*
- When players have arrived at *opponents' cricket grounds*

Parents and carers remain responsible for their child *before arrival and after collection*.

6. Parent / Carer Attendance

Parents and carers are encouraged to *remain at the venue during training sessions and matches whenever possible*.

If it is not possible for a parent or carer to stay:

- The coach or team manager *must be informed* so they are aware of the arrangements for the child.
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7. Collection of Children

Parents and carers must ensure that their child is *collected promptly at the end of training sessions or matches*.

If a parent or carer expects to be delayed:

- The coach or team manager should be *contacted as soon as possible*.
- Details should be provided about *who will collect the child or the expected collection time*.

The club will always prioritise the *safety and welfare of the child* in these circumstances.

8. Private Car Transport Guidelines for Coaches and Volunteers

Pudsey Saint Lawrence Cricket Club recognises that, on occasion, private cars may be used to transport players to matches or club activities. However, the club's preferred position is that *parents and carers remain responsible for transporting their own children*.

Where exceptional circumstances arise and a coach or volunteer may need to transport a player, the following safeguarding guidelines must be followed.

Parental Consent

- A child must *not be transported in a private car without prior permission from a parent or carer*.
- Parents and carers should be informed in advance of the travel arrangements.

Avoid One-to-One Transport

- Coaches and volunteers should *avoid transporting a child alone in a vehicle wherever possible*.
- Where possible, *more than one player should travel together*, or another adult should be present.

Driver Responsibility

Any coach or volunteer transporting players must:

- Hold a *valid driving licence*.
- Ensure the vehicle is *roadworthy, insured and legally compliant*.
- Ensure appropriate *seat belts are worn at all times*.
- Follow all *road traffic laws and safety requirements*.