



## **Lincoln Orienteering Group**

### **Code of Conduct for Parents and Carers**

**Effective from 13 August 2009**

- Encourage your child to attend club coaching sessions and to learn new skills
- Encourage your child to learn the rules and compete within them.
- Discourage unfair competition and arguing with officials.
- Help your child to recognise good performance, not just results.
- Never force your child to take part in orienteering or to run a course they are not ready for.
- Set a good example by recognising fair play and applauding the good performance of all.
- Never punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes.
- Publicly accept officials' judgements.
- Support your child's involvement and help them enjoy their orienteering.
- Use correct and proper language at all times.
- Fair play in orienteering should be encouraged e.g. not seeking an unfair advantage, not complaining about the map, courses or control placement to justify a bad run. Not tampering with controls and not entering out of bounds areas.
- Showing respect for the countryside by taking all litter home, crossing fences and walls at only provided crossing points and closing all gates.
- Carry out your orienteering activities with a spirit of fair play.
- The club is committed to safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. Please discuss any concerns you may have regarding these aspects with the club's Welfare Officer, Clare Hanna.

Chairman  
Lincoln Orienteering Group