

**Transportation Policy** 

The transportation policy gives advice on dropping off and collecting children, young people and vulnerable adults.

In most instances it is the responsibility of parents and carers, not CSR, to transport their child/vulnerable adult to and from clubs or nominated meeting points for county activity. If parents and carers make arrangements between themselves this is a private arrangement made at their own discretion.

Children and vulnerable adults must never travel unaccompanied. A member of the club/county (DBS checked) must travel with them, and that person's contact details must be readily available to any parent or carer who may have reason to contact them.

When a child/vulnerable adult is being driven to and from county matches (or other county activity – but not inter-club games where club rules will apply), then:

- Drivers must have a valid driving licence. Appropriate insurance and breakdown cover should have been arranged, including insurance which covers transporting children and vulnerable adults to matches and claiming expenses.
- The vehicle must be suitable for the number of passengers and have operational safety belts and appropriate child car seats
- Parents and carers must have the driver's contact details, with the driver having easy access to parents' and carers' contact details including mobile phone numbers.
- No child/vulnerable can be left alone in the car with the driver, unless it is the driver's own child or the person they are the carer for. If, in extenuating circumstances, this situation arises, the child/vulnerable adult should sit in the back of the car if possible.
- The children/vulnerable adults involved need to be happy with the arrangement and adults/parents/carers alert to any signs of disquiet.

In the event of a late collection, coaches and volunteers should attempt to contact the parents or carers, wait with the child/vulnerable adult, preferably in the company of others, notify the welfare officer if the collection is unreasonably late and remind parents and carers of their responsibility to collect promptly.