



Behaviour Guidelines for Guildford Junior Chess Club

The following guidelines should be adhered to by all juniors attending the Guildford Junior Chess Club.

- Juniors should always behave in a respectful manner towards others, which includes the adult coaches, administrative staff and their fellow junior club members.
- Juniors should always display sportsmanship-like behaviour during their games. This means shaking hands with their opponent at the beginning and end of the game, not talking whilst their opponent is thinking and not distracting or disturbing their opponent at any time during the game. Indeed, talking during the game should be minimised, to create a quiet playing atmosphere for all.
- Juniors should not seek or receive advice from anyone else whilst their games are in progress.
- Whilst it is natural to feel disappointed if you lose a game, you should not be angry, aggressive or unpleasant towards your opponent or anyone else. The only person to blame when you lose a game is yourself!
- The chess equipment should be treated with respect. The pieces should not be thrown around the room and they should be packed away in the box at the end of the session if you are asked to do so.
- Generally, food and drink should not be consumed during the chess class, but if it is necessary for legitimate reasons, then the junior is responsible for taking their own litter home with them and no mess should be left in the room.