

Procedure for Gymnasts wishing to trial at another Club

If a gymnast wishes to trial at another club, the parent/ guardian should first approach the Head Coach or Welfare Officer to discuss the reasons why before the trial is arranged or takes places.

Every child who leaves Hart Gymnastics Club directly impacts those who train alongside them and the coaches who have spent many hours dedicated to enhancing their skills in the sport. By having open communication with your current club enables all parties involved to plan and prepare for the other gymnasts of the club's future and maintain minimal levels of attendees as too not effect the wider organisation and other people involved.

Before arranging a trial at an alternative club and after communicating with your current club please bare in mind these key factors:

Has your gymnasts got a competition/ event they have agreed to? If yes can the trial wait until after these events?

Arranging a trial at an alternative club whilst training for an upcoming competition may knock your gymnasts' concentration or confidence and have a negative effect on their trial experience and future results. If the gymnast has agreed to participate in a group event they will be letting down their team members and possibly friends. Again, this may cause unnecessary stress to your gymnast. By keeping the lines of communication open with the current club will help ease possible pressure and anxiety and help you establish an appropriate time.

Simple steps to follow before arranging a trial at an alternative club

- 1. Communicate with your current clubs Head coach or Welfare Officers**
 - a) Let them know your intentions to trial
 - b) The reasons for moving
 - c) Where your intend to trial
- 2. Ask their opinion of when do they think a good time would be for this and is there anything from a coach prospective they think you should inform the trialling club of.**
- 3. Let your club know the date of your trial**
- 4. Let them know how your child got on**

By following these basic steps will ensure a happy club and happy child. With either an amical transfer or a resolution to a problem.

Procedure for Gymnasts wishing to transfer to another Club

If a gymnast or parent/guardian experiences a problem at a gymnastic club, the parent/ guardian should first approach the Head Coach or Welfare Officer and discuss the matter.

If the problem cannot be resolved, the parent /guardian should speak to the Head Coach, to inform them that their child wishes to leave the Club and the reason for this. At this point, the parent/guardian may approach another Club.

If a parent/guardian, who wishes to move a gymnast, approaches a coach or other official in a new Club, before speaking to the Head Coach at the current Club, then it should be pointed out that they must go back to the old Club and complete the transfer process. Only after this process has been completed, may the new Club be approached again.

As part of the wider gymnastic community in the Hampshire region, we would hope that parents/guardians and gymnasts would show some loyalty to the clubs and the coaches who spend many hours preparing gymnasts of all abilities and supporting them to achieve their potential.

We would also hope that Coaches would show respect and courtesy to other coaches. We would not expect Coaches to approach gymnasts or the parents/ guardians of gymnasts from other Clubs regarding transfer or coaching matters without the full knowledge and agreement of the Head Coach of the gymnast's existing Club.

The Transfer Process:

- i. The old Club should provide the gymnast with a Transfer Form.
- ii. This should be completed and signed by the gymnast's parent or guardian
- iii. The Head Coach from the old Club should then be asked to sign the form
- iiii. This form should then be kept by the old Club for their records, so that they can remove you from any mailing / payment lists.
- iiii. Parent / guardians should inform British Gymnastics membership of the new club
- vii. At this point the gymnast may begin training with the new Club. The gymnast should not wear the old clubs uniform or attire.

Transfer Form

Name of Child:

Club moving to:

Reason for move: -----

Last training session: -----

Signed Parent/Guardian: -----

Signed Coach: -----

Date of Last payment:

Any outstanding payments due: