

RSCDS Aberdeen Branch Parents and Children Policy

RSCDS Aberdeen Branch welcomes people of all ages at all Branch events. While our classes and social events are primarily aimed at adults, children accompanied by an adult are welcome to attend or participate to the extent of their abilities.

This Policy sets out a safe and non-disruptive structure for this. It does not apply to children's classes during which children are unaccompanied. We run separate children's classes for primary and secondary aged children, and teacher teaching children's classes are Disclosure Scotland checked.

However, at the Branch committee's discretion, children of secondary school age who attend adult Branch classes may be permitted to attend other events unaccompanied. In this case, usual class rules will apply.

This form shall be filled in once a year per family, ideally in line with membership renewal or at the 1st event attended, and a list will be maintained by the Branch committee.

Parents, guardians or a named accompanying adult shall:

1. Be responsible at all times for their children's safety and the impact their child may have on the safety of others who are on the dance floor, particularly when babywearing / carrying / holding hands / dancing in tandem.
2. Be responsible at all times for their children's conduct, which shall not adversely affect the dancing, spectators or other dancers, whether on the dance floor or off it.
3. Be responsible at all times for their children's welfare and safety, ensuring the child is within close proximity and visible at all times.
4. Accept the advice of Branch committee members and other organisers in relation to their children's conduct and safety.

In return, the Branch shall:

1. Endeavour to create a safe and welcoming environment for all children, regardless of ability or age.
2. Follow the RSCDS Safeguarding and Well-being Policy
3. Respect parents', guardians', or named accompanying adults' ultimate responsibility in relation to their children.

Names and age of child / children/ young person

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Names of any/ all accompanying adults

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do/ do not [strike out as appropriate] give permission for photographs of the above named child / children to be used in branch communications.

Parents/guardians signature and date

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This Policy will be reviewed annually and will be available on the RSCDS Aberdeen Branch website

Signed and Dated by the Chairman

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