

The Role (Agreement) of Parents

Your Role (agreement) as a Parent of a YFC Member

Young Farmers is a voluntary youth organisation for young people in rural areas that depends on volunteers including parents and guardians to help coordinate its activities. We are one of the largest rural youth organisations in the UK dedicated to young people who have a love for agriculture and rural life. Led by young people, for young people, our Young Farmers' Clubs provide their 23,000 members aged 10 to 28 with a unique opportunity to develop skills, work with their local communities, travel abroad, take part in a varied competitions programme and enjoy a dynamic social life.

Young Farmers Clubs' purpose is:

- To advance the education of young members of the public at large in their knowledge of agriculture, crafts, life skills, rural affairs and country life.
- In the interests of the social welfare of such members, to provide and promote the provision of facilities for recreation and other leisure time occupations, being facilities which will improve their conditions of life and will assist in the development of their spiritual and mental capacities, self-reliance and individual responsibility so that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of the community.

As a voluntary organisation we ask Parents / Guardians to assist us by:

- Supporting the purposes of Young Farmers.
- Ensuring all relevant information relating to your child's health, wellbeing and any additional needs is shared with club officers from the first visit.
- Ensuring that your child is a fully signed-up member no later than by the third visit to YFC.
- Working in partnership with the club to ensure your child gets the maximum benefit from being a member of YFC.
- Understanding that the club is run by volunteers of different ages, backgrounds and skill bases.
- Ensuring all parental consent requests are complied with, completed and returned timeously.
- Helping your child and others to understand the satisfaction of cooperative group work and community spirit – 'you get out, what you put in'.



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- Being knowledgeable about the policies and guidelines YFC operates under and encourage your child to know, be familiar with, and follow these rules....including the Code of Conduct.
- Respecting volunteers, leaders and judges, their authority and decisions; the rules and regulations under which YFC operates.
- Ensuring your compliance with the Code of Conduct, including when using YFC social media sites and platforms.
- Helping your child to understand that taking part, learning and showing sportsmanship in all competitions, testing situations, disagreements, etc. is more important than winning.
- Agreeing to discuss any issues that arise at a suitable time with the club officer team or supporting county federation.
- Enabling us to be a respectful organisation where abuse, hostility or violence is not tolerated.

By working together, YFC will continue to thrive as the hub of the community for rural young people.

If you require copies of any policies or guidance please speak to your club officers or visit nfyc.org.uk.

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