



Tyneside Ignite Cheerleading CIC

Fire Safety at Ignite Cheerleading

Procedures

Ignite Cheerleading understands the importance of fire safety. To this end:

- Coaches are aware of the location of all fire exits, the fire assembly point and where fire safety equipment is stored.
- Athletes are introduced to the fire safety procedures during their settling in period.
- Fire drills may be enforced (this is the responsibility of the venue)
- All athletes are shown the location of fire exits and the fire assembly point.
- Fire doors and fire exits are clearly marked, are not obstructed at any time and are easily opened from the inside.
- Fire doors are never locked.
- Fire extinguishers, fire alarms and smoke alarms are regularly tested in accordance with manufacturer's guidance (this is the responsibility of the venue).
- Fire exits must not be obstructed.

Fire prevention

The club will take all steps possible to prevent fires occurring by:

- Ensuring that power points are not overloaded with adaptors.
- Ensuring that power points are turned off and unplugged at the end of each day
- Ensuring that the venue's No Smoking policy is always observed.
- Checking for frayed or trailing wires.
- Ensuring equipment is switched off at the end of sessions.
- Checking that fuses are replaced safely.
- Storing any potentially flammable materials safely.

In the event of a fire

- A member of staff will raise the alarm and call the emergency services.
- The athletes will immediately be escorted out of the building to the assembly point using the nearest marked exit.
- No attempt will be made to collect personal belongings, or to re-enter the building after evacuation.
- The premises will be checked by a member of staff.
- A coach will close all doors and windows to prevent the spread of fire when they leave the building if it is safe to do so.
- A register will be taken, on Coacha, and all athletes and coaches accounted for.
- If anyone is missing from the register, the emergency services will be informed.