



Policy for Communication via Mobile phone between Adults and U18's in GLTC

Use of Mobile Phones

GLTC recognises that communication via mobile phone (using text, WhatsApp etc) for match organisation is necessary and the most efficient in terms of communication. For this reason, GLTC have set out some guidelines for Captains / Team leaders to facilitate communication between adults and U18's using mobile phones.

Team leaders should only have young people's mobile numbers if the nature of their involvement requires them to phone or text them

Parental permission should be sought if the leader in this role will be contacting young people via mobile phone.

A method of accountability should be arranged e.g. copies of texts could also be sent to the administrator or to parents. (Or the parent can be included on the group chat)

The young person's phone number should only be used for the purposes it has been given, i.e., the leader should not share this information without prior permission.

Messages should be sent by group or include the parent. Private chats should not be done between adults and U18's.

Mobile numbers should not be shared for purposes outside that where the parent has consented to its use.