



Doncaster Rovers Supporters Club

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POLICY STATEMENT FOR TRAVELLING SUPPORTERS

This policy statement is designed to provide clear information to all travelling supporters irrespective of age sexual orientation ethnic origin or religious belief.

The Doncaster Rovers Supporters Club(later referred to as DRSC) believe that everyone including a child or young person under the age of 18 who travels with the DRSC to home or away fixtures or other events organised by DRSC should be able to be part of an enjoyable and safe environment and be protected from abuse or harm.

To this end and In line with the duty of care placed upon us we must ensure that

1. All travelling supporters 18 years old or over the age of 18 are fully responsible for their own acts or omissions.
2. All travelling supporters under the age of 18 must adhere to the following (NB an adult is defined in law as a person being 18 years old or is over the age of 18).
3. All supporters under the age of 16 must have an appropriate adult accompanying them who will be accountable and responsible for them during all DRSC activity. The Parent / legal guardian of the child, must arrange direct with the named responsible adult, and complete the written travel consent from parents/guardians. (Forms available from DRSC or official web site at www.doncasterroverssupporters club.co.uk)
4. Supporters who are 16 years old or over 16 but are under the age of 18 will require written consent from parents/guardians until the age of 18. (Forms available from DRSC or official web site at www.doncasterroverssupporters club.co.uk)
5. It is Important to have all emergency contact numbers for those persons who hold parental responsibility for the child, and at least two emergency contact numbers in case of emergency or the need to contact them arises These are to be detailed on the Supporters club membership form available from DRSC or official web site at www.doncasterroverssupporters club.co.uk)
6. If a travelling supporter is taken ill or suffers an injury that requires them to go to hospital, the courier will make contact with the emergency numbers given at the earliest opportunity, the responsibility for care and welfare for supporters under the age of sixteen will remain with the parent/legal guardian or responsible adult.

7. If a travelling supporter is detained on any legal matter or does not return to the designated meeting point, the courier will make contact with the emergency numbers given at the earliest opportunity, the responsibility for care and welfare of supporters under the age of sixteen will remain with the parent / legal guardian or responsible adult.
8. It is the responsibility of all supporters, when requested to provide an official form of identification including age when requested by the DRSC representative running the coach. Failure to provide this may result in the person being refused travel.
9. In order to check details are genuine a, coach currier or representative of the supporters club can at their discretion contact the parents/guardians to confirm that details are correct as a matter of courtesy to remove any doubt.
10. All travelling supporters should conduct themselves in a manner that does not cause harm or distress to any other person including opposing fans and their respective club officials, representatives and players.
11. All travelling supporters on DRSC coaches must not use foul and abusive language intimidate other passengers or act in a manner that causes danger or distress to other travelling supporters or the coach operator and its representatives.
12. All travelling supporters are to abide by the rules or instructions given by the hosting club, the coach operator or their representatives and DRSC representatives.
13. All travelling supporters to refrain from attempting to bring or consume alcohol on any DRSC coach.
14. Any individual supporter who is in the opinion of the currier under the influence of alcohol or un prescribed drugs and is considered unfit to travel will be refused travel

We want to encourage supporters of all age groups irrespective of age sexual orientation ethnic origin or religious belief to travel with us to away fixtures or other events. We believe that if all travelling supporters follow these simple instructions the risk of abuse or harm will be significantly reduced and improve the environment for all our travelling supporters.

Yours faithfully
L.H.South

Doncaster Rovers Supporters Club (Chairman)