



Ryde Carnival Association Health and Safety Guidance and Code of Conduct

- All members of Ryde Carnival Committee and carnival participants are expected to behave in an appropriate manner at all times and respect all group members, performers, supporters and members of the public
- Any participating young person under the age of eighteen, must have a signed parental consent form, including medical details, doctor etc. An enhanced CRB checked member of RCA will have responsibility for ensuring that this information is available throughout every carnival. No signed form, no participation!
- Medication – it is the responsibility of any individual who has any medical problems to declare them to the committee and ensure that any medication that they may require is either given to the nominated first aider or carried with them at all times
- Any child participating under the age of thirteen will need to have a named adult over the age of 18 with them and responsible for them, (walking or participating,) at all times in the carnival. If any parent or adult comes out on a regular basis, they will also be required to be CRB checked.
- Parents and carers are responsible for drop-off and collection of performers for carnival events, unless a written letter is presented.
- RCA is not responsible for damage to or loss of personal belongings or clothing
- The consumption of alcohol or illegal substances, or smoking is NOT PERMITTED on route or whilst in costume and within the public view
- Anyone who appears to be under the influence of alcohol or illegal substances prior or during the carnival will not be allowed to participate
- Swearing, the use of abusive or inappropriate language and behaviour will not be tolerated AT ANY TIME, including travelling as part of the group to and from carnivals
- Chewing gum or the consumption of food or sweets whilst performing is not permitted – the cost of replacing or cleaning costumes which are soiled or ruined due to the consumption of food or chewing gum will be charged to the performer
- All carnival performers are expected to help with the setting up and dismantling of the entry piece before and after events, where it is appropriate i.e. floats, costumes etc.
- Deliberate damage to costumes and float, failing to look after and take care of costumes, will result in the member being asked to leave the group. Wearers of costume are responsible for



hanging, storing and returning their costume to a named committee member at the end of each carnival. They are also responsible for informing that committee member if there are any repairs to be done to costumes or float

- Notification to the committee that you will not be attending a carnival should be done at least 24 hours prior to the carnival, unless in the case of sudden illness. Holiday dates should be given in advance.
- 100% commitment at all times - Participating in carnivals is about having fun, showing off and celebrating everyone's hard work. Participants are expected to perform with enthusiasm at all times. Performers who persistently talk during carnival and do not perform to their best let everyone down and themselves. Texting or the use of mobile phones during carnivals or whilst dancing is not permitted. Don't forget to smile and enjoy having your photo taken!
- In the event of any disputes, all members of the Committee, performers and supporters are expected to resolve these quickly in a positive, polite and peaceful manner

REMEMBER! IT IS A PRIVILEGE TO REPRESENT RYDE CARNIVAL. ENSURE THAT YOU NEVER BRING THE ASSOCIATION INTO DISREPUTE!

The committee reserves the right to ask any member they consider not to be adhering to the code of conduct to leave the group.

Please return this form with your parental consent form and medical details.

Name of performer.....

I (insert name)
have read and understood and agree to abide by the groups rules, expectations and code of
conduct .

Signed..... Date

Parents signature if you are under 18 Date