



# Parental Consent Form

Applicable to any person under the age of 18

We believe the safety and security of a child is paramount and make every effort to ensure the child's well being.

You can find out more at [hackthemidlands.com/safeguarding](https://hackthemidlands.com/safeguarding)

We respect the confidentiality and privacy of the child so it is important you give permission for us to use your child's photos online on our website, event summaries and other pages. Children will not be named in any of our images.

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Please complete all of the following sections and bring this form with you to the event on the 29th and 30th October 2022.

Failure to present this form upon arrival will result in exclusion from the event.

**Full name of young person:** .....

**Full name of Parent or Guardian:** .....

**Parent or Guardian's Phone Number:** .....

**Full address of Parent or Guardian:** .....

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**Parent or Guardian's Signature:** .....

**I consent for my child to attend HackTheMidlands and stay at the event between 10:00 on 29th October 2022 and 17:00 on 30th October 2022**

Yes  No

**May your child leave the venue by themselves AFTER the event?**

Yes  No

**May your child leave the venue by themselves DURING the event?**

Yes  No

**May we use your child's name online?**

Yes  No

**May we use your child's image online?**

Yes  No



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## FAQ

### What is HackTheMidlands?

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### I don't want my child getting involved in 'Hacking'

The Hacking we do isn't illegal or malicious, but instead refers to 'hacking together' a piece of software etc. - MLH have a great FAQ here: <https://mlh.io/parent-hackathon-guide>

### I'm concerned about the safety of my child

We put a lot of time into making the event safe for everyone. You can view the ways we do this at <https://hackthemidlands.com/safeguarding>

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### I don't want my child to stay overnight

You can collect your child at any point throughout the event as long as you sign out with a member of staff, however a large variety of activities take place in the evening / overnight so recommend they stay for the full experience.

### I'm concerned about the responsibility of the staff

All our staff hold an enhanced DBS check and background check with safeguarding and advanced first aid trained staff available at all times.

### My child has a medical condition

Please make sure to note this in the required medical form. Staff will be made aware of the problem and there will be a dedicated First Aider on site at all times.

### My child is a fussy eater. How will you cater?

We offer a wide variety of food options, however in the circumstance that there is nothing for them we'll try our best to source other food. You're welcome to bring your own food.

### Will my child get any sleep?

While we cannot force your child to sleep if they choose not to, we do encourage it. Comfortable quiet sleeping areas will be provided.

### How do the sleeping areas work?

U18 Sleeping areas will be completely separated from adult areas and gender separated. These areas will be managed by members of our safeguarding team and overnight security.

### Can I take my child offsite?

Yes at any time. You however must sign out with a member of staff before leaving.

### What happens if there is a problem at the event?

In the unlikely event that anything happens that concerns the wellbeing of your child, we will resolve the situation as quickly as possible and let you know immediately via the phone number given on the consent form.



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**What will you do with my child's photos?**

The photos will be posted online and used for future advertisements of the event. They will not be named unless they win a prize.