



Code of Conduct

Football is the national game. All those involved with the game at every level and whether as a player, match official, coach, owner or administrator, have a responsibility, above and beyond compliance with the law, to act according to the highest standards of integrity, and to ensure that the reputation of the game is, and remains, high. This code applies to all those involved in football under the auspices of The Football Association. Football, at all levels, is a vital part of a community. Football will take into account community feeling when making decisions. Football is opposed to discrimination of any form and will promote measures to prevent it, in whatever form, from being expressed. Football recognises the sense of ownership felt by those who participate at all levels of the game.

This includes those who play, those who coach or help in any way, and those who officiate, as well as administrators and supporters. Football is committed to appropriate consultation. Football acknowledges the extent of its influence over young people and pledges to set a positive example. Football acknowledges that public confidence demands the highest standards of financial and administrative behaviour within the game, and will not tolerate corruption or improper practices. Football will uphold a relationship of trust and respect between all involved in the game, whether they are individuals, clubs or other organisations. Football rejects the use of violence of any nature by anyone involved in the game. Football is committed to fairness in its dealings with all involved in the game. Football is committed to the principle of playing to win consistent with Fair Play.

Code of Conduct for Players at Coseley Football Development

This Code focuses on players involved in top-class football. Nevertheless, the key concepts in the Code are valid for players at all levels.

Obligations towards the game

A player should

- Make every effort to develop their own sporting abilities, in terms of skill, technique, tactics and stamina.
- Give maximum effort and strive for the best possible performance during a game, even if his team is in a position where the desired result has already been achieved.
- Set a positive example for others, particularly young players and supporters.
- Avoid all forms of gamesmanship and time-wasting.
- Always have regard for the best interests of the game, including where publicly expressing an opinion on the game and any particular aspect of it, including others involved in the game.

- Do not use inappropriate language.
- Know and abide by the Laws, rules and spirit of the game, and the competition rules.
- Accept success and failure, victory and defeat, equally.
- Resist any temptation to take banned substances or use banned techniques.
- Treat opponents with due respect at all times, irrespective of the result of the game.
- Safeguard the physical fitness of opponents, avoid violence and rough play, and help injured opponents.
- Accept the decision of the Match Official without protest.
- Avoid words or actions which may mislead a Match Official.
- Show due respect towards Match Officials.

Respect towards Team Officials/ Coaches

A player should

- Abide by the instructions of their Coach and Team Officials, provided they do not contradict the spirit of this Code.
- Show due respect towards the Team Officials of the opposition.

Obligations towards the Supporters

A player should

- Show due respect to the interests of supporters.

Obligations towards the Club

- All financial obligations to the Club must be met for the season (Signing on fee, if applicable, all subscription fees due and any bookings/fines that have been received via league or County FA).

Code of Conduct for Parents/Spectators at Coseley football development

Parents/Spectators have a great influence on children's enjoyment and success in football. All children play football because they first and foremost love the game – it's fun. It is important to remember that however good a child becomes at football within your club it is important to reinforce the message to parents/spectators that positive encouragement will contribute to:

- Children enjoying football.
- A sense of personal achievement.
- Self-esteem.
- Improving the child's skills and techniques.

A parent's/spectator's expectations and attitudes have a significant bearing on a child's attitude towards:

- Other players.
- Officials.
- Managers.
- Spectators.

Ensure that parents/spectators within your club are always positive and encouraging towards all of the children, not just their own.

Encourage parents / spectators to:

- Applaud the opposition as well as your own team.
- Avoid coaching the child during the game.
- Not to shout and scream.
- Respect the referee's decision.
- Give attention to each of the children involved in football, not just the most talented.
- Give encouragement to everyone to participate in football.
- Ensure that parents / spectators within your club agree and adhere to your School/club
- Code of Conduct and Child Protection Policy.