

# Respect Code of Conduct



## Coaches, Team Managers and Club Officials

Play your part and observe the Football Association's Respect Code of Conduct in everything you do.

### On and off the field, I will:

- Show Respect to others involved in the game including match officials, opposition players, coaches, managers, officials and spectators
- Adhere to the laws and spirit of the game
- Promote Fair Play and high standards of behaviour
- Always Respect the match official's decision
- Never enter the field of play without the referee's permission
- Never engage in public criticism of the match officials
- Never engage in, or tolerate offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour

### When working with players, I will:

- Place the well-being, safety and enjoyment of each player above everything, including winning
- Explain exactly what I expect of players and what they can expect from me
- Ensure all parents/carers of all players under the age of 18 understand these expectations
- Never engage in or tolerate any form of bullying
- Develop mutual trust and respect with every player to build their self-esteem
- Encourage each player to accept responsibility for their own behaviour and performance
- Ensure all activities I organise are appropriate for the players' ability level, age and maturity
- Set a positive personal example by promoting good behaviour and showing respect to everyone involved in the game
- Refrain from smoking during training sessions and whilst on the pitch

**I understand that if I do not follow the Code, any/all of the following actions may be taken by my Club, County FA or The FA:**

I may be:

Required to meet with the club, league or County Welfare Officer

Required to meet with the club committee

Monitored by another club coach

Required to attend an FA education course

Suspended by the club from attending matches

Suspended or fined by the County FA

Required to leave or be sacked by the club

**In addition:**

My FACA (FA Coaches Association) membership may be withdrawn