

# ST. ANDREWS FOOTBALL CLUB - CODE OF CONDUCT



Young Players	Spectators and Parents/Carers
<p>We all have a responsibility to promote high standards of behaviour in the game.</p> <p>As a player, you have a big part to play. That's why The FA is asking every player to follow a <b>Respect Code of Conduct</b>.</p> <p><b>When playing football, I will:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Always play to the best of my ability</li> <li>• Play fairly – I won't cheat, complain or waste time</li> <li>• Respect my team-mates, the other team, the referee or my coach/manager</li> <li>• Play by the rules, as directed by the referee</li> <li>• Shake hands with the other team and referee at the end of the game</li> <li>• Listen and respond to what my coach/team manager tells me</li> <li>• Talk to someone I trust or the club welfare officer if I'm unhappy about anything at my club.</li> </ul> <p><b>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.</b></p> <p><b>I may:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be required to apologise to my team-mates, the other team, referee or team manager</li> <li>• Receive a formal warning from the coach or the club committee</li> <li>• Be dropped or substituted</li> <li>• Be required to pay any fines incurred by yellow and red cards</li> <li>• Be suspended from training</li> <li>• Be required to leave the club.</li> </ul> <p><b>In addition:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• My club, County FA or The FA may make my parent or carer aware of any infringements of the Code of Conduct</li> <li>• The FA/County FA could impose a fine and suspension against my club.</li> </ul> <p><b>Social Media</b></p> <p>Players should never put anything defamatory about other players, about coaches, the club, opposition, club officials, referees, the league or the FA on any social media sites including but not limited to Facebook, Twitter, Snapchat and Instagram. Any players seen to be doing this will be asked to meet with the committee and could result in the player being asked to leave the club.</p>	<p>We all have a responsibility to promote high standards of behaviour in the game.</p> <p>This club is supporting The FA's Respect programme to ensure football can be enjoyed in a safe, positive environment.</p> <p>Remember children's football is a time for them to develop their technical, physical, tactical and social skills.</p> <p>Winning isn't everything.</p> <p>Play your part and observe The FA's <b>Respect Code of Conduct</b> for players at all times.</p> <p><b>I will:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remember that children play for FUN</li> <li>• Applaud effort and good play as well as success</li> <li>• Always respect the match officials' decisions</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remain outside the field of play and within the Designated Spectators' Area (where provided)</li> <li>• Let the coach do their job and not confuse the players by telling them what to do</li> <li>• Encourage the players to respect the opposition, referee and match officials</li> <li>• Avoid criticising a player for making a mistake – mistakes are part of learning</li> <li>• Never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, insulting, or abusive language or behaviour.</li> <li>• Never put anything defamatory about coaches, other players, the club, opposition, club officials, referees, the league or the FA on any social media site including but not limited to Facebook, Twitter, Snapchat and Instagram.</li> </ul> <p>This will result in the person involved being brought in front of the club committee and possibly asked to leave the club along with any dependants.</p> <p><b>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.</b></p> <p><b>I may:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be issued with a verbal warning from a club or league official</li> <li>• Be required to meet with the club, league or GFA Welfare Officer</li> <li>• Be required to meet with the club committee</li> <li>• Be obliged to undertake an FA education course</li> <li>• Be obliged to leave the match venue by the club</li> <li>• Be requested by the club not to attend future games</li> <li>• Be suspended or have my club membership removed</li> <li>• Be required to leave the club along with any dependants.</li> </ul>

<b>I CONFIRM THAT I HAVE READ AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY THIS CODE OF CONDUCT.</b>	
PLAYER'S NAME:	
DATE:	
<b>I CONFIRM THAT I HAVE READ AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY THIS CODE OF CONDUCT.</b>	
PARENT/GUARDIAN'S NAME:	
RELATIONSHIP TO CHILD:	
SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN:	
DATE:	

**NOTE: IN ACCORDANCE WITH FA RULES, THIS SIGNED PAGE WILL BE RETAINED BY THE CLUB WELFARE OFFICER**