



Code of Conduct

As an FA Charter Standard Club, Twyford Comets have signed-up to the FA Respect Campaign and have incorporated the programmes codes of conduct into our own. They have been written to enable everyone to enjoy playing and watching football in a good environment.

Players Code

- Play because you enjoy football
- Always do your best, even if you're losing or the other team is stronger
- Learn the rules and play by them - Play fairly - Don't cheat, complain or waste time
- Accept the referee's decision - do not argue! - Never be rude to your team-mates, the other team, the referee, spectators or the coach/team manager
- Listen to your coach/team manager and respect what he/she says
- Control your mouth and temper
- Do not overreact when your team scores or loses a goal
- Shake hands with the other team and referee at the end of the game
- Talk to someone you trust, for example your parents or the Club Welfare Officer if you unhappy about anything at Twyford Comets

I understand that if I do not follow the code, action may be taken.

Signed.....

Managers and Coaches Code

- Emphasise fun and enjoyment
- Ensure your players know the rules, and encourage your players to play by them
- Set a good example by being friendly with the opposition - display and promote high standards of behaviour
- Encourage your team to shake hands at the end
- Show respect to others involved in the game including match officials, opposition players, coaches, managers, officials and spectators
- Always respect the match officials' decisions
- 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
- Ensure every player in your team has signed the Respect Code of Conduct

When working with players, you must:

- 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 you
- Ensure the parents/carers of all players under the age of 18 understand these expectations
- Refrain from, and refuse to 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 you organise are appropriate for the players' ability level, experience, age and maturity
- Co-operate fully with others in football (e.g. officials, doctors, physiotherapists, welfare officers) for each player's best interests

Understand that breaches of the code may result in action being taken by my County FA and /or The FA.

Parents and Spectators Code

We all have a responsibility to promote high standards of behaviour in the game. Twyford Comets is supporting The FA's Respect programme to ensure football can be enjoyed by everyone in a safe and positive environment. Play your part and observe The FA's Respect Code of Conduct for spectators and parents/carers at all times, **you must:**

- Never force a child to play football
- Praise effort and performance more than results.
- Praise good behaviour
- Always respect the match officials' decisions, remember they are a volunteer giving up their spare time
- Remain outside the field of play and behind the designated spectator area (where provided)
- Applaud effort and good play as well as success
- Not coach from the sidelines, or shout if a child makes a mistake.
- Never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour
- Enjoy watching the game - win or lose!

In addition, when attending youth games, you must:

- Remember that children play for FUN
- Let the managers and coaches do their job and not confuse the players by telling them what to do
- Encourage the players to respect the opposition and match officials
- Never criticise a player for making a mistake - mistakes are part of learning

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