

SHORT CODE OF CONDUCT FOR - PARENTS, GUARDIANS AND SPECTATORS ("Adults")

The Parents, Guardians and Spectators general obligations shall be:

1. Adult behaviour must be of the highest standard and set the correct example to all of the players within the Club.
2. Show due respect to Match Officials and others involved in the game.
3. Not use or tolerate inappropriate language.

The Parents, Guardians and Spectators obligations towards the Team shall be to:

1. Players should expect advice, encouragement and support and not be embarrassed or humiliated by the adults watching them.
2. Adults **Should**
 - (a) Always look for aspects to praise rather than rebuke;
 - (b) Praise good behaviour to show adults value it;
 - (c) Praise effort and performance rather than simply achievement, most often in the case of a victory;
 - (d) Emphasise the importance of involvement, winning second;
 - (e) Display patience;
 - (f) Ensure players have a clear understanding of the standard of behaviour expected;
 - (g) Help players understand the rules, talk to them, not at them.
3. Promote ethical principles.
4. Show due respect for the interests of the players, coaches and officials, their own club/team and others.

The Parents, Guardians and Spectators should respect the Match Officials such that he/she shall:

1. Accept the decisions of the Match Official without undue protest.
2. Show due respect towards Match Officials.

The Parents, Guardians and Spectators should also note:

1. Matters of team selection, including the playing of substitutes, remains the **sole** responsibility of the Team Manager/Coach and his/her decision will remain final.
2. Any parent/guardian or spectator (associated to a playing member) whose behaviour is considered to fall below the required standard may result in the membership of that player being suspended or cancelled, subject to the matter being dealt with by the Committee.
3. It is not acceptable for individuals to take the law into their own hands.
4. All parents/guardians and spectators shall abide by the rules of the Football Association and its constituent youth leagues.