

Code of Conduct – Coaches, Team Managers and Club Officials 2025-2026 Season

We all have a responsibility to promote a high standard of behaviour in the game. As a player you have a big part to play. Doveridge Football Club and Doveridge Juniors Football Club therefore ask you to follow our code of conduct as stated below.

We all bear a collective responsibility to set a good example and help provide a positive environment in which children can learn and enjoy the game. Play your part and always observe The FA's Respect Code of Conduct.

On and off the field, I will:

- Use my position to set a positive example for the young people I am responsible for
- Receive a Ground ban
- 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
- Respect the match official's decision
- Never enter the field of play without the referee's permission
- Never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, insulting, or abusive language or behaviour
- Be gracious in victory and defeat

When working with players, I will:

- Place the well-being, safety, and enjoyment of each player above everything, including winning
- Never engage in or tolerate any form of bullying
- 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
- Co-operate fully with others in football (e.g., officials, doctors, physiotherapists, welfare officers) for each player's best interests

I understand that if I do not follow the Code, any/all 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
- Suspended by the club from attending matches
- Suspended or fined by the County FA
- Required to leave or be sacked by the club