# Cardiff City Walking Football Club Code of Conduct



At Cardiff City Walking Football Club, we are committed to creating a friendly, inclusive, and respectful environment for all members. We believe in the spirit of fair play, camaraderie, and enjoyment of the beautiful game.

To ensure that everyone has a positive experience, we expect all members, including players, coaches, officials, and spectators, to adhere to the following code of conduct both on and off the pitch:

# 1. Respect for All:

- Treat all club members, opponents, coaches, officials, and spectators with respect and courtesy.
- Show appreciation for individual and team efforts, regardless of the outcome.

## 2. Fair Play:

- Abide by the Laws of walking football and play fairly, without cheating, diving, or engaging in unsportsmanlike conduct. Always walk, never run. The latest Laws of the Game will be published on the club's website.
- Accept the decisions of the match officials at all times with sportsmanship, even if you disagree.

## 3. Inclusivity:

- Embrace diversity and inclusivity by welcoming individuals of all ages over 50, backgrounds, and abilities to participate in club activities.
- Avoid any form of discrimination, harassment, or bullying.

## 4. Safety and Health:

- Prioritise the safety and well-being of all members, adhering to safety guidelines and practicing responsible conduct during training and matches.
- Encourage healthy living and fitness, recognising the benefits of physical activity for all participants.

# 5. Team Spirit:

- Promote teamwork, cooperation, and camaraderie among club members, fostering a sense of belonging and unity.
- Avoid any behaviour that undermines team morale.

## 6. Conflict Resolution:

- Address conflicts or disputes through open and respectful communication, involving the club's management committee as necessary.
- Refrain from public criticism of club members or management committee members.

### 7. Integrity:

- Uphold the reputation of the club by maintaining honesty and integrity in all interactions related to club activities.
- Report any suspicious or unethical behaviour to the club's management committee.

#### 8. Support and Encouragement:

- Encourage and support the development of all members, from beginners to experienced players.
- Cheer for all teams and celebrate achievements, regardless of the outcome.

#### 9. Compliance:

• Comply with all club policies, guidelines, and regulations, including those related to fees, registration, and membership requirements.

#### **10. Leading by Example:**

• Be a role model for others by exemplifying the values and principles of the club's code of conduct.

Failure to adhere to this code of conduct may result in disciplinary actions as laid out in the club's **Disciplinary Procedure**, including warnings, suspension, or expulsion from the club, as determined by the club's management committee.