



Respect



Code of Conduct

Match Officials

We all have a responsibility to promote high standards of behaviour in the game.

The behaviour of the match officials has an impact, directly and indirectly, on the conduct of everyone involved in the game – both on the pitch and on the sidelines.

Play your part and observe the Football Association's Respect Code of Conduct for match officials at all times.

I will:

- Be honest and completely impartial at all times.
- Apply the Laws of the Games and competition rules fairly and consistently.
- Manage the game in a positive, calm and confident manner.
- Deal with all instances of violence, aggression, unsporting behaviour, foul play and other misconduct.
- Never tolerate offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour from players and officials.
- Support my match official colleagues at all times.
- Set a positive personal example by promoting good behaviour and showing respect to everyone involved in the game.
- Communicate with the players and encourage fair play.
- Respond in a clear, calm and confident manner to any appropriate request for clarification by the team captains.

- Prepare physically and mentally for every match
- Complete and submit, accurate and concise reports within the time limit required for games in which I officiate.

I understand that if I do not follow the Code, any of the following actions may be taken by Winchester Youth FC, Hampshire FA, League or the FA:

I may be:

- Required to meet with The FA/Hampshire FA Refereeing Official.
- Required to meet with The FA/County FA Refereeing Committee.
- Obligated to attend or re-attend The FA Respect training or other education course.
- Issued with a written warning.
- Fined by the County FA.
- Offered less senior appointments.
- Suspended from all appointments for a defined period.
- Excluded from affiliating as an FA Referee.