



**Respect**



## Code of Conduct

# Spectators & Parents

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

Winchester Youth FC is supporting the FA's Respect programme to ensure football can be enjoyed in a safe, positive environment.

Remember children's football is a time for them to develop their technical, physical, tactical and social skills. Winning isn't everything.

Play your part and observe the Football Association's Respect Code of Conduct for spectators and parents/carers at all times.

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### **I will:**

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- Remember that children play for FUN.
- Applaud effort and good play as well as success.
- Always respect the match official's decisions.
- Remain outside the field of play and within the Designated Spectator's Area (where provided).
- Let the coach and/or Manager do their job and not confuse the players by telling them what to do.
- Encourage the players to respect the opposition, referee and match officials.
- Avoid criticizing a player for making a mistake – mistakes are part of learning.
- Never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour.
- Ensure that any relatives or friends of yours that come to a match are aware of, and agree to this Code of Conduct.

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**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:**

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### **I may be:**

- Issued with a verbal warning from a Winchester Youth FC or league official.
- Required to meet with Winchester Youth's Club Welfare Officer or the Hampshire FA's Welfare Officer.
- Required to meet with the Club's Committee.
- Obligated to undertake an FA education course.
- Obligated to leave the match venue by the Club.
- Requested by Winchester Youth FC not to attend future games.
- Suspended or have my Club membership removed.
- Required to leave the Club along with any dependents.

### **In addition:**

- The FA/County FA could impose a fine and/or suspension on the Club