**PLAYERS – RESPECT CODE OF CONDUCT**

We all have a responsibility to promote high standards of behaviour in the game. Play your part and observe The FA’s Respect Code of Conduct for players at all times. On and off the field, I will.

• Adhere to the Laws of The Game

• Display and promote high standards of behaviour

• Promote Fair Play

• Always respect the match official’s decisions

• Never engage in public criticism of the match officials

• Never engage in offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour

• Never engage in bullying, intimidation or harassment

• Speak to my team-mates, the opposition and my coach/manager with respect

• Remember we all make mistakes

• Win or lose with dignity. Shake hands with the opposing team and the referee at the end of every game

I understand that if I do not follow the Code, any/all of the following actions may be taken by my club, County FA or The FA:

I may

• Be required to apologise to team-mates, the other team, referee or team manager

• Receive a warning from the coach

• Receive a written warning from the club committee

• Be required to attend an FA education course

• Be dropped or substituted

• Be suspended from training

• Not be selected for the team

• Be required to serve a suspension

• Be fined

• Be required to leave the club

In addition.

• The FA/County FA could impose a fine and/or suspension on the club

• The FA believes that Referees and Assistant Referees should be able to officiate free from the threat of violence or intimidation Any physical assault on a Match Official will result in a lengthy or permanent exclusion from football and possibly a criminal prosecution.

**SPECTATORS – RESPECT CODE OF CONDUCT**

Play your part and observe The FA’s Respect Code of Conduct for spectators at all times I will:

• Applaud effort and good play as well as success

• Respect the Referee’s decisions even when you don’t agree with them

• Appreciate good play from whatever team it comes from

• Remain behind the touchline and within the Designated Spectators’ Area (where provided)

• Let the coach 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

• Support positively. When players make a mistake offer them encouragement not criticism

• Never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, insulting, or abusive language or behaviour

I understand that if I do not follow the Code, any/all of the following actions may be taken by my club, County FA or The FA:

I may be,

• Issued with a verbal warning from a club or league official

• Required to meet with the club, league or CFA Welfare Office

• Required to meet with the club committee

• Obliged to undertake an FA education course

• Obliged to leave the match venue by the club

• Requested by the club not to attend future game

• Suspended or have my club membership removed

In addition:

• The FA/County FA could impose a fine and/or suspension on the club

• The FA believes that Referees and Assistant Referees should be able to officiate free from the threat of violence or intimidation Any physical assault on a Match Official will result in a lengthy or permanent exclusion from football and possibly a criminal prosecution

**COACHES, TEAM MANAGERS AND CLUB OFFICIALS – RESPECT CODE OF CONDUCT**

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

On and off the field, I will

• Use my position to set a positive example for the people I am responsible for

• 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

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• 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

• 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 of 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

**MATCH OFFICIALS – RESPECT CODE OF CONDUCT**

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 FA’s Respect Code of Conduct of match officials at all time.

I will:

• Be honest and completely impartial at all times

• Apply the Laws of the Game 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

• 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/all of the following actions may be taken by my County FA or The FA:

I may be,

• Required to meet with The FA/County FA Refereeing Official

• Required to meet with The FA/County FA Referees Committee

**LEAGUE COMMITTEE – CODE OF CONDUCT**

This Code of Conduct for League Committee members is part of our overall set of League codes. Committee members should hold their position primarily for their knowledge, skill set and experience and their ability to actively contribute to the running of the League.

As a League Committee Members we will

promote the values, aims, rules and regulations of our League by acting as its ambassadors and advocate always presenting it and its members in a positive light

act only in the interests of the League as a whole not individuals or small groups

listen and respect the views of others and always use appropriate and respectful language and behaviour

help establish and maintain a comprehensive set of League rules and regulations that are regularly reviewed,

manage club funds so as to maximise value for money in all League financial dealings

champion equality and respect the rights, dignity and worth of all people involved in the League regardless of gender, race, marital status, colour, disability, sexuality, age, occupation, religion or political opinion

actively contribute to the effective work of the League Committee by;

\* good preparation for meetings by reading all papers which have been circulated prior to meetings

\* regular attendance, participation and contribution at meetings including constructive \* \* challenge when appropriate dealing with issues of agenda clarification before meetings and maintaining a sharp focus on agenda items in meetings so that time is used effectively

\*attempting to reach decisions by consensus and always publicly support group decisions even if my personal opinion is different

\* ensuring timely response to, and completion of, agreed actions

\* supporting fellow Committee members.

\* attending the League AGM and any other meetings as and when required.