



Ipswich City Football Club

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DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

In our goal to provide a safe and enjoyable atmosphere at Ipswich City for all we have established a disciplinary committee to oversee conduct issues with members of the club. The idea of this committee will be to cover any breaches of the players, coaches and parent's code of conduct.

We believe in having a trouble free and happy environment for both junior and senior players and our supporters.

The Club asks Coaches, Managers and Parents to expect from all participants, a high standard of behaviour during both training sessions and matches. Swearing, teasing, name-calling and other forms of verbal harassment are considered inappropriate as is any form of physical abuse. Referees issue red cards and send players from the field for infringements. We ask parents to play an active role in this respect and at match games encourage players to always play the ball and not the opposition player. Any complaints regarding the conduct of teams and officials during games should be directed to the club secretary.

We're all here for the same reason - to enjoy football!

Player's Code of Conduct

- Play by the rules.
- Never argue with an official. If you disagree, have your captain, coach or manager approach the official during a break or after the competition.
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials or other players, deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent is not acceptable or permitted in any sport.
- Work equally hard for yourself and/or your team. Your team's performance will benefit, so will you.
- Be a good sport and applaud all good plays whether they are your team, opponent or the other team.
- Treat all players as you would like to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully or take unfair advantage of another player.
- Co-operate with your coach, teammates and opponents. Without them there would be no competition.
- Play for the "fun of it" and not just to please parents or coaches.
- Avoid use of derogatory language based on gender.

Coaches' Code of Conduct

- Be reasonable in your demands on young players' time, energy and enthusiasm.
- Teach your players that rules of the sport are mutual agreements, which no one should evade or break.
- Whenever possible, group players to give a reasonable chance of success.
- Avoid over-playing the talented players. The "just-average" players need and deserve equal time.
- Remember that children participate for fun and enjoyment and that winning is only part of their motivation. Never ridicule or yell at children for making mistakes or losing a competition.
- Ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of the players.
- Take into consideration the maturity level of the children, when scheduling and determining the length of practice times and competition.
- Develop team respect for the ability of opponents as well as for the judgement of officials and opposing coaches.
- Follow the advice of a physician when determining when an injured player is ready to commence training or competition.
- Make a personal commitment to keep yourself informed of sound coaching principles and the principles of growth and development of children.
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Parents' Code of Conduct

- Focus upon the child's efforts and performance rather than the overall outcome of the event. This assists the child in setting realistic goals related to his/her ability by reducing the emphasis on winning.
- Teach children that honest effort is as important as victory, so that the result of each game is acceptable without undue disappointment.
- Encourage children to always participate according to the rules.
- Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game.
- Remember children are involved in organised sport for their enjoyment, not yours.
- Remember that children learn best from example. Applaud good plays by all teams.
- If you disagree with an official, raise the issue through the appropriate channels rather than questioning the official's judgment and honesty in public. Remember, most officials give their time and effort for your child's involvement.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.
- Recognise the value and importance of volunteer coaches. They give their time and resources to provide recreational activities for all the children and deserve your support.

Spectators' Code of Conduct

- Remember that children play organised sport for fun. They are not playing for the entertainment of spectators only, nor are they miniature professionals.
- Applaud good performance and efforts from each team. Congratulate all participants upon their performance regardless of the games outcome.
- Respect the officials' decisions. If there is a disagreement, follow the appropriate procedure in order to question the decision and teach the children to do likewise.
- Never ridicule or scold a child for making a mistake during a game. Positive comments are motivational.
- Show respect for your teams opponents. Without them there would be no game.

Acting Officials' Code of Conduct

- Remember that you are an official; your behaviour must be impartial and fair to both sides.
- Applaud good plays by both sides.
- Refrain from verbal encouragement.
- Encourage players to follow the rule and the official's decisions.
- Demonstrate appropriate social behaviour by not using foul language, harassing players, coaches or officials.
- Avoid use of derogatory language based on gender.