



Clontarf FC Code of Conduct for Players

Introduction:

The aim of Clontarf FC is to provide all players at our club with an environment which allows them to both enjoy and compete safely and securely and to reach their potential.

This will be achieved with the full co-operation of managers/coaches, players, parents and spectators in a safe and friendly environment.

Accordingly, the following code of conduct for players shall be implemented and adhered to by all. All players at Clontarf FC must read this code of conduct giving a commitment that they will follow this code of conduct at all times.

As a Clontarf FC football player...

1. Learn and play by the rules of the game.
2. Play for enjoyment and make every effort to develop your sporting ability.
3. Give maximum effort and strive for the best possible performance during each game and training session.
4. Treat all team members, your coaches, opponents and match officials with respect.
5. Listen to advice given by coaches and team officials and ask questions if you don't understand.
6. Let the coaches know, as soon as possible if you are injured or sick.
7. Support and assist where appropriate with the running of your group.
8. Play with control. Do not lose your temper.
9. Be a "good sport". Applaud all good play and at the final whistle shake hands with your opponents and the referee for the match.

10. In making public comments on a particular fixture or on the game in general, uphold and promote the good name of the club, the game and others involved in it in the wider community.
11. Pack your own gear bag and arrive on time for training and matches with the proper gear and boots, to include water, medication, suncream – it's your bag so carry it yourself and be responsible for it.

You should never:

- Argue with the referee's or other officials' decision.
- Cheat or seek to gain an unfair advantage.
- Intimidate, be aggressive, threaten or use violence.
- Shout at, use foul or inappropriate language or argue unreasonably with any coaches, referees or opponents.
- Cause harm to or damage property.
- Bully or threaten any person online or offline.
- Tell lies, spread or circulate rumours online or offline.
- Take banned substances or consume alcohol or recreational drugs.
- Directly or indirectly place a bet on the outcome of any game in which you are involved.

It is important that you don't keep secrets. Tell your Club Children's Officer, your parents, anyone you trust, if someone is causing you harm or distress. You have a right to be safe.

Understand that if you do not follow the Code of Conduct, action may be taken by the club, league or national association.

Reporting & Sanctions

Participants, Coaches, Supporters, Parents/Guardians, Referees/Officials, Members & Clubs should report breaches of the code of conduct to the Secretary of Clontarf Football Club, as per the Complaints and Disciplinary policy.

Any breaches of the above-mentioned points within the code of conduct will be investigated in accordance with the clubs Complaints and Disciplinary policy.

Conduct giving rise to an alleged breach of the code of conduct shall be reviewed accordingly at the time the alleged breach occurred. The applicable disciplinary procedure shall be that in effect at the time the disciplinary action is commenced.

Incidents of alleged criminal behaviour or suspected criminal behaviour should be reported to An Garda Siochana.

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