

Code of Conduct for Parents and Spectators

- Remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
- Be a positive role model for your child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game and practice.
- Have realistic expectations for your child and don't put them or any other child under pressure.
- Focus on effort rather than results and emphasise skill development and practice over winning.
- Praise good work and refrain from criticising.
- Ensure that your player arrives on time for training and matches and that safe arrangements are in place for getting them to and from venues.
- Be mindful of pickup times after training.
- Leave coaching to the coaches.
- Respect the managers/coaches decisions.
- Encourage your child to learn the rules & play within them.
- Discourage unfair play & arguing with officials.
- Never use foul or inappropriate language.
- Assist when asked.
- Support the club's fund-raising activities where possible.
- Inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of your child or the safety of others.
- If your child requires hospital treatment a parent must attend.
- Be familiar with the rules of the game and the policies of the club.
- Be on your best behaviour and lead by example. The behaviour of a team's supporters will often be remembered long after the result of the game. Be remembered for the right reasons.
- Applaud good play, sportsmanship and best effort by the visiting team as well as your own.
- Condemn the use of violence, intimidation or aggression in all forms at every opportunity.

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 club's 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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