



MAIDENHEAD BOYS and GIRLS FOOTBALL CLUB

CLUB CODE OF CONDUCT

Football is a national game. All those involved with the game at every level and whether as a player, match official, coach, owner or administrator, have a responsibility, above and beyond compliance with the law, to act according to the highest standards of integrity, and to ensure that the reputation of the game is, and remains, high. This code applies to all those involved in football under the auspices of The Football Association.

Community

Football at all levels is a vital part of a community. Football will take into account community feeling when making decisions.

Equality

Football is opposed to discrimination of any form and will promote measures to prevent it, in whatever form, from being expressed.

Participants

Football recognises the sense of ownership felt by those who participate at all levels of the game. This includes those who play, those who coach or help in any way, and those who officiate, as well as administrators and supporters. Football is committed to appropriate consultation.

Young People

Football acknowledges the extent of its influence over young people and pledges to set a positive example.

Propriety

Football acknowledges that public confidence demands the highest standards of financial and administrative behaviour within the game, and will not tolerate corruption or improper practices.

Trust and Respect

Football will uphold a relationship of trust and respect between all involved in the game, whether they are individuals, clubs or other organisations.

Violence

Football rejects the use of violence of any nature by anyone involved in the game.

Fairness

Football is committed to fairness in its dealings with all involved in the game.

Integrity and Fair Play

Football is committed to the principle of playing to win consistent with Fair Play.

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR COACHES / MANAGERS

Coaches and Managers are key to Maidenhead FC of ethics in football. Their concepts of ethics are their attitude directly affects the behaviour of players under their supervision. Coaches and Managers are, therefore, expected to pay particular care to the moral aspect of their conduct. Coaches and Managers have to be aware that almost all of their everyday decisions and choices of actions, as well as strategic targets, have ethical implications.

It is natural that winning constitutes a basic concern for coaches and managers. This code is not intended to conflict with that. However, the code calls for coaches and managers to disassociate themselves from a “win-at-all-costs” attitude. Increased responsibility is requested from coaches and managers involved in coaching young people. The health, safety, welfare and moral education of young people are a first priority,

before the achievement or the reputation of the club, school, coach or parent.

Set out below is The F.A. Coaches Association Code of Conduct (which reflects the standards expressed by the National Coaching Foundation and the National Association of Sports Coaches) which forms the benchmark for all involved in coaching with Maidenhead Football Club:

1. Coaches and managers must respect the rights, dignity and worth of each and every person and treat each equally within the context of the sport.
2. Coaches and managers must place the well-being and safety of each player above all other considerations, including the development of performance.
3. Coaches and managers must adhere to all guidelines laid down by governing bodies.
4. Coaches and managers must develop an appropriate working relationship with each player based on mutual trust and respect.
5. Coaches and managers must not exert undue influence to obtain personal benefit or reward.
6. Coaches and managers must encourage and guide players to accept responsibility for their own behaviour and performance.
7. Coaches and managers must ensure that the activities they direct or advocate are appropriate for the age, maturity, experience and ability of players.

8. Coaches and managers should, at the outset, clarify with the players (and, where appropriate, parent) exactly what is expected of them and also what they are entitled to expect from their coach.
9. Coaches and managers must co-operate fully with other specialists (e.g. other coaches, officials, sports scientists, doctors, physiotherapists) in the best interests of the player.
10. Coaches and managers must always promote the positive aspects of the sport (e.g. fair play) and never condone violations of the Laws of the Game, behaviour contrary to the spirit of the Laws of the Game or relevant rules and regulations or the use of prohibited substances or techniques.
11. Coaches and managers must consistently display high standards of behaviour and appearance.
12. Coaches and managers must not use or tolerate inappropriate language.

SPECTATOR/PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

1. Respect towards to all match officials whatever age they may be -please remember some match officials may be as young as 15 years of age
2. Respect towards opposition supporters / team members and coaching staff
3. Respect the decision of your teams management/ coaching staff
4. Respect the decision of the match officials
5. Not to use foul, abusive, racist, sexist, language which may cause offence to opposition players /managers/coaching staff

6. Accept defeat with good grace and in a fair and respectable sporting manner

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PLAYERS

1. Abide by the Laws of the Game, the Rules of Association Football and by the Leagues in which they play
2. Accept all decisions of the Manager/Coach and Match Officials without question or protestation.
3. Accept success/failure/victory/defeat in good grace and sporting manner.
4. Under no circumstances criticise, disagree, belittle or discredit any player of the club
5. Not to use foul, abusive, or offensive language including racist, sexist or homophobic or gesture likely to insult or provoke others.