



# NPL Youth Codes of Conduct:

## Players



**NPL Youth FC's Code of Conduct for Players is based on Fair Play, Good Citizenship and the Avoidance of Racial Abuse**

Players are the most important people in sport. Playing for the team, and for the team to win, is the most fundamental part of the game, but not winning at any costs, because Fair Play and respect for all others in the game is equally important.

**All players of NPL Youth FC are expected:**

1. Not to swear or use inappropriate or abusive language.
2. To show due respect towards Match Officials, and accept their decisions without protest and avoid words or actions which may mislead officials.
3. To show due respect for their opponents at all times, irrespective of the result of the game, and avoid violence and rough play.
4. To avoid all forms of gamesmanship and time wasting.
5. To accept success and failure, victory and defeat, equally.
6. To abide by the instructions of their Coach and Team Officials, provided they do not contradict the spirit of this Code.
7. To know and abide by the Laws, rules and spirit of the game.
8. To be appropriately dressed and have the correct equipment for training and matches.
9. To give maximum effort and strive for the best possible performance during a game, whatever the current status of that game.
10. To make every effort consistent with Fair Play and the Laws of the Game to help their own team win.
11. To set a positive example to others, particularly younger players.
12. To ensure any questions or issues relating to the grounds/pitches are submitted through the team manager, who will then pass the issue onto the Chairman and Vice-Chairman; who then will report to the Grounds-staff and Club Grounds Steward

**In addition all players are expected to follow the FA Respect campaign as outlined below:** *(these are taken direct from the FA Respect Campaign and must be adhered to. Many are the same or similar to the clubs Code of Conduct for Players)*

When playing football, I will:

- Always do my best, even if we're losing or the other team is stronger
- Play fairly – I won't cheat, complain or waste time
- Never be rude to my team-mates, the other team, the referee, spectators or my coach/team manager
- Do what the referee tells them
- Shake hands with the other team and referee at the end of the game
- Listen to my coach/team manager and respect what he/she says
- Talk to someone they trust, for example parents or the club welfare officer if they are unhappy about anything at my club.

By agreeing with the Codes of Conduct set by NPL Youth Football Club; I accept that any breach in the Codes of Conduct will result in the case being reviewed by the appropriate official, who may take action on the issue.