



Barnstoneworth United FC - Orange

Club Code of Conduct Policy Document

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Introduction

Barnstoneworth United Football Club is committed to promoting a friendly environment that fosters enjoyment, teamwork, and respect for all members, players, coaches, managers, parents, and spectators. This Code of Conduct outlines expected behaviours to ensure a positive experience for everyone involved in our club.

Club Goals

- Lead by example, maintaining the highest level of conduct and integrity.
- Foster an inclusive environment where individuals from all backgrounds, genders, ages, and abilities feel welcomed and valued.
- Champion player development and progression within the Club, including maintaining a transition pathway from junior to senior grades.
- Uphold the club's reputation, avoiding any actions that could bring it into disrepute.
- Strengthen ties with the local community through outreach programs, partnerships, and volunteer opportunities. Encourage club members to engage in community service, support local initiatives, and promote the club's role as a positive force in the community.

Coach/Manager Responsibilities

- Have a current and valid Working with Children Check (WWCC)
- Support players' welfare and well-being.
- Ensure all players are registered and have clearance to play.
- Ensure all players, coaching staff, and volunteers are aware of match day details.
- Manage team matchday details in DRIBL platform.
- Organise and participate in regular training sessions to improve teamwork and communication.
- Provide adequate training for all players and ensure readiness for match day.
- Collect and wash team uniforms after matches.
- Drive team participation and support in Club events and fundraising opportunities.
- Report any team issues, concerns, or disciplinary matters to the Club promptly.

Coach/Manager Code of Conduct

- Be considerate of players' time and commitments outside of football and set reasonable expectations.
- Promote respect for the rules of the game and encourage fair play.
- Ensure all players receive equitable playing time and avoid overusing talented players.
- Foster a respectful environment by showing respect for opponents, referees and coaches.
- Adhere to medical advice when determining a player's return to play after injury.
- Organise training sessions and matches that are suitable for players' ages and skill levels.
- Keep in mind that the primary goal is for children to enjoy playing football.
- Offer encouragement and positive feedback, creating a supportive environment where players can learn, develop, and have fun.

Player Responsibilities

- Show respect and promote inclusion for all teammates, opponents, officials, and spectators.
- Play with integrity, honesty, and fairness.
- Accept and respect decisions made by officials.
- Demonstrate good sportsmanship at all times.

- Be modest and gracious in victory, and show humility and respect in defeat.
- Maintain self-control by managing emotions, refraining from inappropriate language, and treating opponents, officials, and teammates with respect.
- Listen to and follow coaching instructions to improve individual and team performance.
- Take responsibility for your actions on and off the field, including punctuality and preparedness for training and matches.
- Thank officials, coaches, and opponents at the conclusion of each game to show appreciation for their efforts.
- Support and encourage teammates, fostering a positive team environment.
- Prioritise safety by playing within the rules and avoiding dangerous or reckless behavior.
- Strive to develop skills, teamwork, and sportsmanship, always remembering that the main goal is to enjoy the game and have fun.

Parent/Guardian Responsibilities

- Support your child's participation in sport, focusing on their enjoyment and performance rather than wins or losses.
- Refrain from intimidating or pressuring coaches, match officials and other spectators.
- Model good behaviour, respect coaches, players, match officials, and opponents.
- Teach children to respect decisions and handle wins and losses graciously.
- Let the coach do the coaching; avoid directing players during games.

Spectator Responsibilities

- Respect match officials' decisions and teach children to do the same.
- Maintain a positive atmosphere; avoid ridiculing players for mistakes.
- Refrain from using foul language and harassing anyone associated with the sport.
- Not engage in violence, discrimination, or harassment.
- Conduct yourself in a manner that enhances the reputation of the club and football.

Disciplinary Actions

The club may enforce this Code of Conduct and impose disciplinary actions on players, parents/guardians, spectators, and match officials who do not comply with these expectations.