

BLUNHAM YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB

Established: 2013



Respect

CODE OF CONDUCT

THE MANAGERS/COACHES' CHARTER

1. The Manager/Coach must respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person and treat everyone equally within the context of the sport
2. The Manager/Coach must place the well-being and safety of each player above all other considerations, including the development of performance
3. The Manager/Coach must adhere to all guidelines laid down by governing bodies
4. The Manager/Coach must develop an appropriate working relationship with each player based on mutual trust and respect
5. The Manager/Coach must not exert undue influence to obtain personal benefit or reward
6. The Manager/Coach must encourage and guide players to accept responsibility for their own behavior and performance
7. The Manager/Coach must ensure that the activities they direct or advocate are appropriate for the age, maturity, experience and ability of players
8. The Manager/Coach should, at the outset, clarify with the players (and, where appropriate, their parents) exactly what is expected of them and also what they are entitled to expect from their coach
9. The Manager/Coach must co-operate fully with other specialists in the best interest of the player. He/she must not use a player known to be unwell or injured without written permission from his parent and/or doctor.
10. The Manager/Coach must always promote the positive aspects of the sport (e.g. fair play) and never condone violations of the Laws of the Game, behavior contrary to the Spirit of the Laws of the Game or relevant rules and regulations, or the use of prohibited substances & techniques
11. The Manager/Coach must consistently display high standards of behavior and appearance
12. The Manager/Coach must ensure that his overall priority is to make learning fun and that children are progressed to their maximum potential in both individual and team skills
13. Managers/Coaches must not use or tolerate inappropriate language
14. The Manager/Coach must keep a written attendance record of players for training nights and match days. Handover and release of players between the Manager/Coach and parents/guardians must be recorded in a register at the time of occurrence.

THE PLAYERS CHARTER

1. The Player must ensure that they have the appropriate equipment for each occasion.
 - a) Clean & suitable football boots for grass
 - i) Boots with aluminum blades are not to be worn
 - b) Training shoes for hard surfaces
 - c) Shin pads and socks (if not provided by the Manager/Coach)
 - d) A filled water bottle
 - e) Training tops / Track suits etc, as issued by the Club
- The player should give maximum effort and strive for his best performance during a game or training session
- The Player must not use inappropriate language, gamesmanship or time wasting tactics. He must set a positive example for others, particularly younger players & supporters.
- The Player must abide by the laws, rules and spirit of the game and the competition rules
- The Player must accept success and failure, victory and defeat equally. He must treat his team mates and opponents with due respect at all times, irrespective of the result of the game
- The Player must safeguard the physical fitness of opponents, avoid violence and rough play, and help injured opponents where possible
- The Player must accept the decision of the Match Officials without protest, avoid words or actions which may mislead a Match Official, and show due respect towards all Match Officials and Team Officials of the opposition
- The Player must abide by the instructions of his Manager/Coach, provided they do not contradict the spirit of this code
- The Player must arrive for training and matches on time or notify the Manager/Coach, in advance, of any reason for not doing so
- The Player must show respect for the facilities and equipment that they use
- The Player must resist any temptation to take banned substances or use banned techniques
- The Player should show due respect to the interests of supporters

THE PARENTS CHARTER

1. The Parent/Parents must ensure that the Player has the required equipment and refreshments for each occasion
2. The Parent/Parents must ensure that the Player arrives and is collected by the appointed times for training sessions & matches and must deliver the Player directly to the Manager/Coach
3. The Parent/Parents must inform the Manager/Coach, as far in advance as possible, if the Player will not be available for a training session or match
4. The Parent/Parents must inform the Manager/Coach of any illness or ailment that may affect the performance or health of the Player. The Parent/Parents must be aware that the Manager/Coach may require a letter of permission from either Parent or the Player's doctor to allow the Player to resume Club activity
5. The Parent/Parents should inform the Manager/Coach of any games that the Player has been asked to participate in, other than for Blunham Youth FC
6. The Parent/Parents may not, under any circumstances, communicate directly with the Leagues or the Bedfordshire Football Association about Club business. Any correspondence relating to the Club or a Player, with the abovementioned or any other official football organizations, should always be dealt with through the Blunham Youth F.C. Secretary or other Club officials
7. The Parent/Parents must always encourage ALL players during the match, regardless of the result of the game
8. The Parent/Parents should not give instructions to the players during the match or at the half-time interval. This is the responsibility of the Manager/Coach
9. The Parent/Parents must respect the rights of the Manager/Coach to make decisions regarding training methods, team selections, substitutions and match tactics unless they contradict the spirit of this code
10. The Parent/Parents must be courteous and polite at all times towards opponents, coaches, managers, referees and Club or League officials
11. The Parent/Parents should feel free to approach the Manager/Coach to discuss any aspect of the Players football development
12. The Parent/Parents should never use racial abuse or foul language
13. The Parent/Parents must refer to players by their shirt number and not by reference to their colour, culture, race or country of origin
14. The Parent/Parents must agree to pay any fine imposed on the Club resulting from indiscipline of their child
15. The Parent/Parents must understand, any monies raised or kit or equipment acquired by sponsorship or fund-raising belongs to Blunham Youth Football Club, unless stipulated in a written agreement between Blunham Youth Football Club and the Sponsor.
16. The taking of photographs and videos should only be done with permission from the Player's Manager/Coach from both sides and of all parents in attendance

BLUNHAM YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB **PLAYER / PARENT / CLUB AGREEMENT**

SUMMARY OF CODE OF CONDUCT

- The Player & Parent/Parents must take responsibility to ensure that the appropriate equipment: i.e. - Boots (see Players Charter regulation 1.a.i) Shin pads, Refreshments, etc - are provided on each occasion
- The Player & Manager/Coach should arrive at least ten minutes before training and at least thirty minutes before the match
- The Player or Parent/Parents must inform the Manager/Coach well in advance, if they are going to be late or absent from a training session or match
- Everyone must show respect for the facilities and equipment that they use. Parents may be asked to assist in setting up or clearing away equipment
- The Player is expected to show a positive attitude and to follow directions given by the Manager/Coach
- The Player, Parent/Parents & Manager/Coach must be courteous and polite at all times towards team-mates, opponents, coaches, managers, referees, officials and spectators
- The Player, Parent/Parents & Manager/Coach must not swear, spit, name-call or use racist remarks
- The Player & Manager/Coach must shake hands with the opposition and thank the referee and officials, regardless of the result of the match
- The Player, Parent/Parents & Manager/Coach must support the team. Encouragement must be used at all times
- The Player, Parent/Parents & Manager/Coach must work together in a positive & constructive manner
- That all accept, Blunham Youth Football Club is a supporting member of the FA RESPECT program

“We come, not to play. We play to win. We play to the best of our ability, with full commitment and by no foul mean. We accept defeat graciously and remain humble when victorious”

This Code of Conduct defines the standards for the relationship between Players, Parents and Managers/Coaches, who are associated with Blunham Youth Football Club.

By signing the membership form, you signify your understanding & agreement of the Code of Conduct, acceptance that Blunham Youth Football Club is a supporting member of the FA RESPECT program and your obligations when representing Blunham Youth Football Club

