



Southdown Football Club

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR COACHES, TEAM MANAGERS AND CLUB OFFICIALS

Coaches, Team Managers and Club Officials:

Must respect the rights, dignity and worth of each and every person, and treat each equally within the context of the sport.

Must place the well-being and safety of each player above all other considerations, including the development of performance.

Must adhere to all guidelines laid down by FACA and the Rules of The Football Association.

Must develop an appropriate working relationship with each player based on mutual trust and respect.

Must not exert undue influence to obtain personal benefit or reward.

Must encourage and guide players to accept responsibility for their own behaviour and performance.

Must ensure that the activities they direct or advocate are appropriate for the age, maturity, experience and ability of players.

Should, at the outset, clarify with the player (and, where appropriate, their parents) exactly what is expected of them and also what they are entitled to expect from their coach.

Must co-operate fully with other specialists (eg other coaches, officials, sports scientists, doctors, physiotherapists) in the best interests of the player.

Must always promote the positive aspects of the sport (eg 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.

Must consistently display high standards of behaviour and appearance.

Must show respect to others involved in the game including match officials, opposition players, coaches, managers, officials and spectators.

Must always respect the match official's decision.

Must never enter the field of play without the referee's permission.

Must never engage in public criticism of the match officials.

Must never engage in, or tolerate insulting or abusive language or behaviour.

Coaches, Team Managers and Club Officials must understand that if they do not follow The Code, any or all of the following actions may be taken by The Club, League, County FA or The FA:

Be required to meet with The Club, League or County Welfare Officer.

Be monitored by another club coach.

Be required to attend an FA education course.

Be suspended by The Club from attending matches.

Be Suspended and /or fined by The County FA.

Be required to leave The Club.