



Borough Green Junior Football Club

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Code of Conduct - Coaches

Borough Green Juniors Football Club and all club officials fully support The FA Respect Programme.

Managers & Coaches (referred to only as Coaches onwards within this document) have a hugely important role to play in Respect, as they are not only responsible for their own behaviour, but they can also influence that of their players and spectators, too.

On a match day, you'll be expected to work with your players, parents and other spectators to allow the referee to manage the game without being subjected to abuse.

The league you play in adopts the Respect programme and you will be asked to read, agree to, and sign, a Code of Conduct at your club. This will be your 'promise' to abide by a set of rules governing your behaviour as a coach. Working together with your players, your captain, and each referee that takes charge of your games during the season, you can play a major role in improving the game for everyone, through Respect.

Set out below is The FA Coaches Code of Conduct which forms the benchmark for all involved in coaching.

- Coaches must respect the rights, dignity and worth of each and every person and treat each equally within the context of the sport
- Coaches must place the well-being and safety of each player above all other considerations, including the development of performance
- Coaches must adhere to all guidelines laid down by governing bodies
- Coaches must have the qualifications laid down by governing bodies & if these are not in place must be achieved within 6 months of joining the club
- Coaches must have the minimum coaching level as set out by the club & if no coaching qualification is held then this will be achieved within 6 months of joining the club
- Coaches must follow The FA, Kent FA & League guidelines. Attending meetings where applicable, courses and match day reports. Any fines picked up for not undertaking these roles will be chargeable to the responsible coach
- Coaches must develop an appropriate working relationship with each player based on mutual trust and respect Coaches must not exert undue influence to obtain personal benefit or reward
- Coaches must encourage and guide players to accept responsibility for their own behaviour and performance

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- Coaches must ensure that the activities they direct or advocate are appropriate for the age, maturity, experience and ability of players
- Coaches should, at the outset, clarify with the players (and, where appropriate, parents) exactly what is expected of them and what they, as players, are entitled to expect from their coach
- Coaches must co-operate fully with other specialists (e.g. other coaches, officials, sports scientists, doctors, physiotherapists) in the best interests of the player
- Coaches 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
- Coaches must consistently display high standards of behaviour and appearance;
- Coaches must not use or tolerate inappropriate language
- Coaches must ensure all players are members of the Club & will not allow any non-member to take part in any Club involved activities for their team
- Coaches are to pass all Club messages and letters onto the parents when requested to do so
- Coaches are to be responsible for the Club playing kit & collect the kit if any player leaves the Club
- Coaches should work with the Club, players and parents in a positive and constructive manner
- Coaches should be open to new ideas and innovations and work with the Club to improve their skills.