



COULSDON ATHLETIC

CODE OF CONDUCT for PARENTS (& Spectators)

**WE ALL HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO PROMOTE
HIGH STANDARDS OF BEHAVIOUR IN THE GAME.**

Children's football is a time for them to develop their technical, physical, tactical and social skills.... Winning isn't everything and the children can learn just as much, if not more, from losing.

This club supports The FA's Respect programme to ensure football can be enjoyed in a safe, positive environment. Please ensure you play your part and observe [The FA's Code of Conduct for Parents \(and Spectators\)](#).

- ⚽ Always applaud effort and good play, as well as the success, of both teams
- ⚽ Always respect the match officials' decisions
- ⚽ Remain outside the field of play, within any Designated Spectators' Area and behind any Respect line
- ⚽ Let the coaches do their job and do not confuse the players by shouting out instructions to them
- ⚽ Teach the players to respect the opposition, referee and match officials
- ⚽ Avoid criticising a player for making a mistake, mistakes are part of learning
- ⚽ Never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, insulting, or abusive language or behaviour

Parents and spectators must understand that if they do not abide by the Code of Conduct, the club, League, County FA or The FA may take action. Examples of what this could mean include that parents and spectators may be :-

- ⚽ Issued with a verbal warning from the club or league official
- ⚽ Required to meet with the club, League or County FA Welfare Officer
- ⚽ Required to meet with the club committee
- ⚽ Obligated to undertake an FA education course
- ⚽ Obligated to leave the match venue by the club
- ⚽ Requested by the club not to attend future games
- ⚽ Suspended or have their club membership removed
- ⚽ Required to leave the club along with any dependants

The club's decision will be final.

In addition, The FA or County FA could impose a fine and/or suspension on the club.