

CODE OF CONDUCT BREACHES

Experience shows that breaches of a code of conduct are rare. If it is a minor issue the matter will be dealt with directly by your coach, often by speaking to the player. If the Coach feels that he needs to appraise you of the position he will do so.

If the Coach believes the breach is more significant, he will arrange a meeting with you and your son/daughter. We firmly believe that talking about issues in an open way is the best way to deal with problems.

Breaches of the Code may result in the player being suspended from being selected for the team for one or more games and in significant cases, being asked to leave the club.

Cautions & Sending's Off

If your son or daughter is cautioned or sent off during a match this will be considered to be a Code of Conduct breach. If the Referee refers the issue to the Football Association, Stourbridge FC will receive a fine. We will expect the player's team, parent or guardian to pay the fine in full within the timescales stipulated by the Football Association. Failure to pay the fine will result in the player not being selected until such time as payment is received.

ESCALATION PROCEDURE

Where circumstances of Gross Misconduct have occurred, the club expect the relevant team manager to report this incident to a Director of the club within 48 hours of it taking place.

The Director will then arrange a meeting between the manager, the player, the parent and the child welfare officer. The decision made at that meeting will remain final and will be in addition to any punishment imposed by the relevant league.

Instances of Gross Misconduct perpetrated outside of the football club may be considered if it is felt by the club that it in any way brings the Clubs name in to question or indeed may affect the individual's team or team mates.

General misconduct is expected to be dealt with by the individual team managers. We would however expect repeat offences to be brought to the clubs attention

General Misconduct

Items such as but not entirely restricted to:

Red or Yellow card offences obtained in the normal course of play

One off instances of over enthusiastic parental involvement

Continuous verbal criticism of officials

Gross Misconduct

Items such as but not entirely restricted to:

Physical abuse of another player or adult or referee by parent or player

Verbal abuse of an adult or referee by parent or player