



BARNSLEY WOMEN'S FOOTBALL CLUB

Code of Conduct

Codes of conduct for coaches, players, officials, and parents/spectators are essential to promote a positive and respectful environment in the sport. These codes help maintain fair play, sportsmanship, and the overall well-being of everyone involved in the game.

1. Coaches:

- Lead by example: Coaches should set a positive example for their players in terms of sportsmanship, fair play, and respectful behaviour.
- Respect for opponents: Coaches should encourage their players to treat opponents, coaches, and officials with respect and fairness.
- o Player development: Focus on player development rather than just winning at all costs.
- Safety: Ensure the safety of players and be aware of any potential health risks.
- o **Abide by rules:** Coaches should know and adhere to the rules of the game.
- Conflict resolution: Handle conflicts with other coaches, players, or parents in a calm and respectful manner.

2. Players:

- Respect: Treat teammates, opponents, coaches, officials, and spectators with respect and dignity.
- o Fair play: Play by the rules and avoid unsportsmanlike behaviour.
- Good sportsmanship: Celebrate success and cope with failure with grace.
- Safety: Ensure the safety of yourself and others on the field.
- Teamwork: Work as a team, support your teammates, and communicate positively.

3. Officials:

- Impartiality: Be fair, consistent, and impartial in enforcing the rules of the game.
- o **Professionalism:** Maintain professionalism and composure, even in the face of criticism.
- o **Communication:** Communicate effectively with players, coaches, and spectators.
- Safety: Ensure that the game is conducted in a safe manner and take appropriate action when necessary.

4. Parents/Spectators:

- Positive support: Encourage and support your child or the team in a positive and sportsmanlike manner.
- Respect: Show respect for coaches, players, and officials, even when you disagree with their decisions.
- Safety: Let the coaches and officials manage the game; avoid interfering or causing distractions.
- Role modelling: Set a positive example for children by exhibiting good sportsmanship.

Remember that these codes of conduct are designed to create a positive, enjoyable, and safe environment for everyone involved in football. Different leagues may have specific codes and guidelines that participants must follow, so it's essential to be familiar with and adhere to those as well.