

South Northumberland First School 7-a-side Football League
Code of Conduct

Players Code

- Play for the fun of the game.
- How you play is far more important than winning or losing.
- Accept the referee's (officials) decisions even if you think they are wrong.
- Play by the rules.
- Be a good sport; applaud good play, whether by your team or by your opponents.
- Control your temper at all times and treat all players as you would like to be treated.

Coaches/Managers Code

- Teach your players that the rules of the game are mutual agreements that no one should break.
- Remember that young people play for fun and enjoyment. Winning is only part of it, never criticise players for making mistakes.
- Do not question any official's decisions and never doubt his or her honesty.
- Be generous with your praise and set a good example.

Spectators/Parents Code

- Remember young people are involved for the enjoyment and not yours.
- You have the responsibility to encourage the players to abide by the rules.
- Help to remove verbal and physical abuse in football by setting an example.
- Applaud good play by both teams.
- Never question the referee's decision.
- Never question the coaches' decision.
- Teamwork and effort are as important as winning.
- Help young people to accept losing without undue disappointment.
- Spectators should never stand behind the goal line.
- All schools operate a no smoking policy on all school premises/grounds. Please adhere to this policy at all times.
- No dogs except guide dogs are allowed on school premises/grounds. Please adhere by this policy at all times.