



Holy Spirit Celtic Sports Club - Charters.

PLAYERS' CHARTER

Players agree to:

- Always play to the best of my ability
- Play fairly – I won't cheat, complain or waste time and I will encourage my team mates not to do this either
- Respect my team-mates, the other team, the referee or my coach/manager
- Play by the rules, as directed by the referee
- Shake hands with the other team and referee at the end of the game
- Listen and respond to what my coach/ team manager tells me
- Talk to someone I trust or the club welfare officer if I'm unhappy about anything at my club.
- Say the 'Our Father' before the beginning of each game.
- Accept responsibility for my own behaviour and performance
- Take care of & respect playing facilities, equipment and property and dispose of litter properly. This includes official team kit; any lost or damaged items must be replaced at my parents or carers cost.

I understand that if I do not follow the Code, any/all of the following actions may be taken by my club, County FA or The FA:

I may:

- Be required to apologise to my team-mates, the other team, referee or team manager
- Receive a formal warning from the coach or the club committee
- Be dropped or substituted
- Be suspended from training
- Be required to leave the club.

In addition:

- My club, County FA or The FA may make my parent or carer aware of any infringements of the Code of Conduct
- The FA/County FA could impose a fine and suspension against my club.



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PARENTS/CARERS AND SPECTATORS' CHARTER

I will agree to:

- Remember that children play for FUN
- Applaud effort and good play as well as success
- Always respect the match officials' decisions
- Remain outside the field of play & within the Designated Spectators' Area (where provided)
- Let the coach do their job and not confuse the players by telling them what to do
- Encourage 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.
- Adhere to the Club constitution, charters, Diocesan procedures & policies, and to the laws and rules of the FA along with the Respect & Anti Bullying campaigns.
- Ensure that players turn up at the appointed time for training and matches wearing the appropriate clothing and in the right condition.
- Take care of the official team kit, any lost or damaged items other than for normal wear and tear will be replaced at the players' parents or carers cost.
- Remember that children are my responsibility at training/matches and ensure that they get to the actual training pitch safely and accompanied where necessary.
- Accept that the primary aim of the Club is to provide children with the opportunity to enjoy themselves through sport in the context of our Catholic community.
- Respect the rights, dignity and value of every person within the context of the sport and in line with our Catholic values
- Not take any photographs or video recording without seeking the agreement of the team manager(s) involved first, in accordance with FA Guidelines & Child Protection. For this & all other policies see the Child Welfare page on the sports club website.
- Raise any concerns to the Manager or Club Child Welfare Officer.
- Support the club and players and any social events where possible.
- I understand that, in line with the ethos of the club, mini football will be inclusive ensuring that all players, regardless of ability will play matches.
- I must sign the club's photo consent form and re-sign this annually.

I understand that if I do not follow the Code, any/all of the following actions may be taken by my club, County FA, league or The FA:

I may be:

- Issued with a verbal warning from a 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 my club membership removed
- Required to leave the club along with any dependents.

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



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MANAGERS', COACHES AND ASSISTANTS CHARTER

Coaches and managers agree to:

- Show respect to others involved in the game including match officials, opposition players, coaches, managers, officials and spectators
- Adhere to the laws and spirit of the game
- Promote Fair Play and high standards of behaviour
- Always respect the match official's decision
- Never enter the field of play without the referee's permission
- Never engage in public criticism of the match officials
- Never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour.
- Accept that the primary aim of the Club is to provide children with the opportunity to enjoy themselves through playing football & enhance the spirit of the Catholic community in the Diocese.
- Ensure that the 'Our Father' is said with the team before every game.
- Ensure that all players play a reasonable amount of football unless ill, injured or upset. As a guide each player should play a minimum of a ¼ game.
- Where possible, avoid games and training on Sundays.
- Ensure that all players playing mini football, regardless of ability will play matches, as this is in line with the ethos of the club.

When working with players, I will:

- Place the well-being, safety and enjoyment of each player above everything, including winning
- Explain exactly what I expect of players and what they can expect from me
- Ensure all parents/carers of all players under the age of 18 understand these expectations
- Never engage in or tolerate any form of bullying
- Develop mutual trust and respect with every player to build their self-esteem
- Encourage each player to accept responsibility for their own behaviour and performance
- Ensure all activities I organise are appropriate for the players' ability level, age & maturity
- Co-operate fully with others in football (e.g. officials, doctors, physiotherapists, welfare officers) for each player's best interests.

I understand that if I do not follow the Code, any/all of the following actions may be taken by my club, County FA, league or The FA:

- Required to meet with the club, league or County Welfare Officer
- Required to meet with the club committee
- Monitored by another club coach
- Required to attend an FA education course
- Suspended by the club from attending matches
- Suspended or fined by the County FA
- Required to leave or be sacked by the club.

In addition:

- My FACA (FA Coaches Association) membership may be withdrawn.