



Codnor Boys FC / GFC Codnor Respect Code of Conduct for Spectators and Parents/Carers

We all have a responsibility to promote high standards of behaviour in the game.

Codnor Boys FC / GFC Codnor is supporting The FA's Respect programme to ensure football can be enjoyed in a safe, positive environment.

Remember children's football is a time for them to develop their technical, physical, tactical and social skills. Winning isn't everything.

Play your part and observe The FA's Respect Code of Conduct for spectators and parents/carers at all times.

I will:

- Remember that children play for FUN.
- Applaud effort and good play as well as success.
- Always respect the match official's decision.
- Remain outside the field of play and 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, referees 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.

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 CFA Welfare Officer.
- Required to meet with the club committee.
- Obligated to undertake an FA educational 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.
- Require to leave the club along with any dependants.

In addition:

- The FA/County FA could impose a fine/or suspension on the club.

Racial Abuse

The club supports The FA's policy to stamp out racial abuse. Any incident, relating to Racial Abuse, involving a parent/carer or spectator of a Codnor Boys/GFC Codnor player will be subject to a full disciplinary investigation conducted by the clubs management committee. Any resultant action will be based upon the investigation findings.

The above requirements are recommended by the F.A. and adopted by Codnor Boys/GFC Codnor FC. The club also expects Parents/Spectators to abide by the following rules:

1. Encourage players to improve their skills through coaching.
2. Never shout at or criticise players for making a mistake. Never sneer or use sarcasm – this will only succeed in the player losing confidence in his ability.
3. Do not attempt to coach from the sidelines – leave this to the manager/coach. It only causes confusion for the players.
4. Give attention to each of the children involved in football not just the most talented.
5. Supporters should show due respect to match and team officials and abide by their decisions. They are volunteers and unpaid.
6. Supporters should never get into an argument with opposing supporters. How can players learn sporting behaviour on the pitch when unsporting behaviour is the example set on the touchline?
7. Applaud the opposition as well as you own team.
8. Give encouragement to everyone to participate in football.
9. Relax and enjoy the game whether your team wins or loses.