

Inkberrow Football Club

Code of Conduct

General Principles

Community

Inkberrow Football Club provides a sporting and recreational amenity that can contribute to the well-being of the community and recognises the feelings of the community it serves when making decisions.

Equality

Inkberrow Football Club is opposed to discrimination in any form and welcomes participation in its activities with unquestionable equity.

Financial Integrity

Inkberrow Football Club is committed to the highest standards of financial and administrative behaviour and will not tolerate corruption or improper practice.

Respect & Behaviour

Inkberrow Football Club demands the highest standards of behaviour from its members and will at all times show respect for team-mates, opponents, officials, spectators and all other organisations with whom it may have dealings.

Honesty, Fairness & Fair Play

Inkberrow Football Club will undertake its activities with honesty and fairness and will compete to win and be gracious in defeat with a sense of fair play at all times.

Young People

Inkberrow Football Club is committed to the development of young people and acknowledges its role in setting exemplary standards for young people to follow. It further recognises its responsibility to the safety of young people the commitment to which is embodied within its Child Protection Policy.

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Coaches & Team Officials

1. Coaches and Team Officials should at all times carry out their duties in accordance with the General Principles of the Football Club's Code of Conduct
2. Coaches and Team Officials must respect the rights, dignity and worth of all players and treat them equally
3. Coaches and Team Officials must place the well-being and safety of all players above all other considerations
4. Coaches and Team Officials must develop a relationship with players based upon mutual trust and respect
5. Coaches and Team Officials must not exert undue influence for the purpose of personal benefit or reward
6. Coaches and Team Officials must encourage players to take personal responsibility for their own behaviour and performance
7. Coaches and Team Officials must ensure that the activities they direct are appropriate for the age, maturity, experience and ability of players
8. Coaches and Team Officials must at all times uphold all rules and regulations, promote fairness and sporting behaviour and never condone breaches to laws or prohibited practice
9. Coaches and Team Officials must at all times display high standards of behaviour and appearance
10. Coaches and Team Officials must not use or tolerate inappropriate language

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Players

1. Players must be committed to the development of their own technique and attitude.
2. Players must show respect for team-mates, opponents, officials and supporters
3. Players must support and encourage their colleagues
4. Players should, at all times, give maximum effort in the interests of their own and the team's performance
5. Players should work hard and not waste time
6. Players should listen and not interrupt
7. Players should look after property and not cause damage to equipment
8. Players should, at all times, be honest and committed to the principles of fairness, fair play and sporting behaviour
9. Players should compete to win and be gracious in defeat

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Spectators / Parents (Junior Football)

1. It is the responsibility of all members of Inkberrow Football Club, Players, Coaches and Team Officials to encourage the positive support of all players and teams and to equally uphold the principles of the Club's Code of Conduct
2. Spectators and Parents should acknowledge the role which they can play in:-
 - a) Encouraging fun and enjoyment in football for children
 - b) The self esteem and personal achievement of children
 - c) The development of technique and attitude of children
 - d) Ensuring the care and safety of children in football
3. Spectators and Parents should:-
 - a) Show respect for all players and officials
 - b) Offer encouragement to all players
 - c) Applaud the opposition as well as their own team
4. Spectators and Parents should not:-
 - a) Coach any child during the game
 - b) Shout or scream in a discouraging or disparaging manner
 - c) Interfere in any way with the organisation or instruction of players
5. Inkberrow Football Club encourages parents to discuss any aspect of the progress, involvement and enjoyment of their children with a Coach or Team Official. All parties should show due respect to the sensitivity of children and certain matters are better discussed in private.