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Coaches Codes of Conduct

- Recognize the importance of fun and enjoyment when coaching young players.
- Consider the wellbeing and safety of participants.
- Appreciate the needs of the players before the needs of the sport.
- Be a positive role model - think what this implies.
- Keep winning and losing in perspective - encourage young players to behave with dignity in all circumstances.
- Respect all referees and the decisions they make (remember it could be you refereeing next week) and ensure that the players recognize that they must do the same.
- Develop an appropriate working relationship with players, based on mutual trust and respect.
- Make sure all activities are appropriate to the age, ability and experience of those taking part.
- Promote the positive aspects of the sport (e.g. fair play, team spirit)
- Display consistently high standards of behaviour.
- Follow all guidelines laid down by the national governing body and the club.
- Provide positive verbal feedback in a constructive and encouraging manner, to all young players, both during coaching sessions and games.
- Recognize the importance of fun and enjoyment when officiating young players.
- Emphasize the spirit of the game.
- Understand the physical, social and psychological development of young players.
- Look to self-improvement e.g. participation in Mini/Midi coaching courses.
- Never exert undue influence over performers to obtain personal benefit or reward.
- Provide experiences, which are matched to the young players' ages and abilities, as well as their physical and mental development.
- Ensure all youngsters are coached in a safe environment.
- Avoid the overplaying of the best players, by using a squad system, which gives everybody a satisfactory amount of playing time.
- Never allow a player to train or play when injured.
- Ensure good supervision of young players, both on and off the field.
- Recognize that young players should never be exposed to extremes of heat, cold, or unacceptable risk of injury.
- Ensure that their knowledge and coaching strategies are up to date.
- Recognize that the safety of young players is paramount.
- Explain decisions - all young players are still learning.
- Always penalize foul play.
- Play advantage whenever possible in order to let the game flow.
- Show empathy for the age and ability of young players.
- Be consistent and objective.
- Ensure that verbal abuse from players, coaches or spectators is not tolerated and is dealt with by club officials immediately