



# PARENTS AND SPECTATORS CODE OF CONDUCT

Our code of conduct was written by existing members of the club. This is what the girls expect of each other and their parents and spectators and what they think makes training and playing in matches enjoyable and worthwhile.

**Remember that the girls play for FUN.**

- **Our ethos is that the girls should try their hardest and play to the best of their ability. They can't control how good the other team is or the referee's decisions. So please always applaud effort and good play as well as success.**
- **Don't criticise a player for making a mistake.** Mistakes are part of learning.
- **Let the coach do their job** and don't confuse the players by telling them what to do.
- **Our girls believe in Sportsmanlike Behaviour.** In their code of conduct they have pledged that however rude their opposition is to them they will never sink to that level. Please support your girls in sticking to this. Encourage them to respect the opposition, referee and match officials.
- **Always respect the match officials' decisions** and remain outside the field of play.
- **Never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, insulting, or abusive language.**
- **Never engage in or tolerate aggressive or violent 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 and obliged to leave the venue.
- Required to meet with the club, league or County FA Welfare Officer.
- Requested by the club not to attend future games or training.
- Suspended and 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.

By agreeing to your daughter becoming a member of the club you are agreeing to abide by this code. If you are concerned that a spectator's or parent's behaviour is affecting any girl's enjoyment of club activities please talk to the Club Welfare Officer, who is Sarah Lang.