



# DOWNPATRICK FOOTBALL CLUB



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## **CODES OF CONDUCT FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS**

### **Parents/guardians are expected to:**

- Complete and return the Parental Consent Form and all Club documentation pertaining to their child's participation
- Deliver and collect your child punctually to and from coaching sessions and matches
- Ensure your child is properly and adequately attired for the weather conditions
- Ensure that proper footwear and protective equipment are worn at ALL times. Any child/young person not in possession of the fundamental requirements should not be permitted to participate
- Behave in a manner that reflects the good name of the Club, including behaving responsibly on the sidelines at any matches with opposing teams
- Detail any health concerns pertaining to the child on the consent form, in particular breathing or chest conditions. Any changes in the state of the child's health should be reported to the coach prior to coaching sessions
- Inform the team manager or coach if your child has been ill or hurt recently
- Inform the coach prior to departure from the field of play if the child is to be collected early from a coaching session
- Encourage your child to play by the rules and teach them that they can only do their best. Help your child to recognise good performance, not just results
- Show appreciation and support the coach
- Ensure your child is punctual
- Be realistic
- Accept the referee's decision
- Promote your child's participation in playing football for fun
- Encourage children to show respect

### **Parents/Guardians have the right to:**

- Know their child is safe
- Be informed of problems or concerns relating to their children
- Be informed if their child is injured
- Have their consent sought for issues such as trips
- Contribute to decisions within the Club

Any misdemeanours and breach of this code of conduct will be dealt with immediately by the team manager or coach. Persistent concerns or breaches will result in the parent/guardian being asked not to attend the team's matches if their attendance is detrimental to the child's/young person's welfare. The ultimate action should a parent/guardian continue to breach the code of behaviour may mean the team manager or coach regrettably asking the child/young person to leave the Club.