



Parent/Spectator Code of Conduct :

This Parent/Spectator Code of Conduct has been drafted & agreed by the Club Executive & Football Committee of Bearn na Forbacha Aontaithe to set out an agreed standard and expectation of behaviour of parents & match spectators. It has been drafted in reference to the FAI Club Management Guide (3rd Edition), Sports Ireland Governance Code for Sport (2021), in consultation with club coaches & good practice standards in sport. This document is subject to annual review and may be updated at any juncture between each review in accordance with revisions in safeguarding legislation and best practice guidance.

Together with our club Coaches & our players, parents & spectators have a responsibility to promote high standards of behaviour in the game. Their attitude to the game directly informs & influences player's enjoyment and success in football. Children's football is a time for them to develop and learn. Children play football because they first and foremost love the game – it's FUN. We want them to win but not at all costs. Play your part by supporting your child, supporting the FAI's Player Development Plan and observe the following Code of Conduct at all times.

I will:

- Comply with the club's child safeguarding policy and procedures.
- Encourage my child to adhere to the Player's Code of Conduct.
- Promote a positive approach to the game e.g. fair play, honest endeavour and genuine teamwork.
- Remember that players/athletes participate for enjoyment and winning is only part of the fun.
- Develop an appropriate supportive relationship with both the coach and my child based on mutual trust and respect.
- Demonstrate & model respect for the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background, or religion.
- Support my child to arrive & to be collected on time & suitably attired for training and matches.
- Display & promote high standards of behaviour, respect and professionalism to all involved with the sport including opponents, referees, coaches, officials, administrators, the media, parents and spectators.
- Remember that children play for FUN.
- Encourage my child & refrain from criticism.
- Praise effort, good play and performance, not results.
- Remain outside the field of play or within the Designated Spectators' Areas.
- Display graciousness towards the sport and others within the sport. If making public comments on a particular fixture or on the game in general, I will be mindful of upholding and promoting the good name of the game and others involved in it in the wider community.
- Never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, insulting, or abusive language or behaviour.
- Support the coach's decisions and discuss any concerns directly with the coach.
- Watch and be familiar with the Coach/Parents Education Video on www.fai.ie.
- Adhere & promote adherence by my child to club health & safety policies & practices including but not limited to prevailing Covid 19 mitigation measures & anti-doping policies.
- Comply & encourage my child to comply with all club policies including but not limited to those pertaining to social media use, travel away & complaints policies.

I agree to follow the above Code of conduct & recognise that if I fail to do so action may be taken by my club, league or national association.

Parent: _____ Child's Name : _____ Date : _____

Coach: _____ Date: _____