Corach Ramblers FC - Code of Conduct

Corach Ramblers FC is dedicated to maintaining a positive, respectful, and fair environment for everyone involved. This Code of Conduct outlines the expected standards of behaviour for all members, ensuring our club remains welcoming and inclusive.

General Principles:

All members of Corach Ramblers FC must:

- **Respect Everyone:** Uphold the dignity and rights of all, regardless of gender, age, race, religion, ability, or background.
- Promote Fair Play: Encourage integrity and the true spirit of football.
- Support Officials: Always respect referees, officials, coaches, and players.
- Positive Contribution: Foster a positive atmosphere both on and off the pitch.

Specific Expectations:

For Players:

- Respect Authority: Always treat coaches, team managers, and officials with respect.
- **Support Teammates:** Be part of the team, supporting others both in success and in times of difficulty.
- **No Bullying:** Avoid any form of bullying or hurtful behaviour towards others. This includes not spreading rumours or damaging property.
- **Follow the Rules:** Adhere to club and FAI rules and understand the complaints and disciplinary processes.
- **Social Media Conduct:** Maintain a positive image on social media, avoiding posts that could harm the club's reputation.
- Devices: Ensure that devices capable of recording are switched off in changing rooms.

For Coaches:

- Lead by Example: Demonstrate fairness, integrity, and respect in all actions.
- Equality & Welfare: Treat all players equally and prioritise their wellbeing.
- **Ongoing Development:** Commit to continuous learning, staying updated on coaching techniques and safeguarding practices.
- **Professional Conduct:** Refrain from using foul language and always maintain professionalism.

For Parents/Guardians and Supporters:

 Positive Role Models: Be a positive influence by maintaining high standards of behaviour.

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- Respect the Club's Ethos: Support your child and the club's values, ensuring your child abides by the club's code.
- **Supportive Conduct:** Encourage your child's participation in a positive manner and avoid negative comments towards any participant.
- **Supervision:** Be responsible for the timely collection and supervision of your child. Ensure you inform the coach of any relevant medical or absenteeism issues.
- **Substance Use:** Do not attend club activities under the influence of banned substances or alcohol.

Infringements and Unacceptable Behaviour:

The following are considered serious breaches:

- **Physical or Verbal Abuse:** Any form of violence, threatening behaviour, or abusive language is prohibited.
- **Bullying or Harassment:** Bullying, including online, or any behaviour that seeks to intimidate or isolate another individual is unacceptable.
- **Unsporting Behaviour:** Cheating, provoking opponents, or disrespecting officials will not be tolerated.
- Discriminatory Behaviour: Actions, comments, or gestures that discriminate against an individual based on gender, race, religion, or other characteristics are serious violations.

Reporting and Sanctions:

- **Reporting:** Breaches of this Code of Conduct should be reported immediately to the club committee. Complaints can be made confidentially and will be taken seriously.
- Sanctions: Depending on the severity of the breach, sanctions may include:
 - Verbal or written warnings
 - o Suspension from training, matches, or club activities
 - Expulsion from the club
 - o Referral to relevant authorities in cases of severe misconduct

Acknowledgment:

All members, players, coaches, supporters, and parents/guardians associated with Corach Ramblers FC must agree to adhere to this Code of Conduct. By doing so, they commit to upholding the standards and values that define our club.

Name:	Signed:
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Coach/Player/Committee/Parent:

Date:

