

Ballingarry A.F.C

Founded 1984

Member Limerick Desmond Football League
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Colours: *Green / Gold*

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Parent's/Guardian's/Carer's Code of Conduct

1. Do not force an unwilling child to participate in football.
2. Remember children are involved in football for their enjoyment not yours.
3. Encourage your child to play to the Laws of the Game and not to argue with Referees and other Officials.
4. Teach your child that honest effort is more important than victory so that the result of each game is accepted without undue disappointment.
5. Turn losing into winning by helping your child work towards skill improvement and good sportsmanship. Never ridicule or yell at your child, or any other child, for making a mistake or losing a game.
6. Remember that children learn best by example. Applaud good play by your team and by members of the opposition.
7. Do not question the Referee's judgement or honesty. Remember he/she is only human with the same feelings as you and, like you, sometimes may make an honest error.
8. Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from children's football.
9. Recognise the value and importance of coaches who are all volunteers. They give children their time and resources to provide football for your child.
10. Read the Laws of the Game to understand better what you are looking at and commenting on.
11. Promote Ballingarry AFC Parental/Carer Code of Conduct.

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Player's Code of Conduct

Children should also be encouraged to realise that they also have responsibilities to treat other children, fellow players, coaches and volunteers with the same degree of fairness and respect that is expected of adult members/coaches.

In this regard children in Ballingarry AFC should undertake to:

- Play fairly, do their best and have fun
- Be on their best behaviour at all times
- Abide by all club rules
- Make high standards of Fair Play the standard others want to follow
- Respect opponents, they are not the enemy, they are partners in a sporting event
- Shake hands before and after the match, whoever wins
- Give opponents a hand if they are injured, put the ball out of play so they can get attention
- Accept apologies from opponents when they are offered
- Respect fellow team members and support them both when they do well and when things go wrong
- Treat players from minority groups with the same respect you show other people
- Be modest in victory and be gracious in defeat- "Be A Sport"
- Approach the club Children's Officer with any questions or concerns they might have. Coaches and parents should encourage children to speak out and support them in doing so.

Children in Ballingarry AFC should not:

- Cheat
- Use abusive language, or argue with, the referee, officials, team mates or opponents
- Use violence, use physical contact only when it is allowed within the rules
- Bully
- Tell lies about adults or other children
- Spread rumours
- Take banned substances to improve performance
- Keep secrets about any person who may have caused them harm
- Behave in any manner that may bring the name of Ballingarry AFC into disrepute

In Ballingarry AFC we want children to have fun and develop skills in a safe and Fair Play environment where standards of behaviour are just as important as winning.

I, as parent/guardian understand that either a coach or a member of the Schoolboys/Girls Committee will address any behavioural or concerning behaviour with me if it should present as a problem.

I, understand that I as parent/guardian will go to the coach or a member of the Schoolboy/Girls Committee if I am concerned about my child.