

## **Code of Best Practice for Players**

Organisation Name:	Treaty United Football Club
Player's Name:	

As players are constantly in the glare of the public attention and are widely recognised as the most important people in the sport, there is a considerable onus upon them to speak and act in a manner which promotes all that is good about the game.

As a Treaty United Player I agree to abide by the best practice guidelines below:

- A Player must make every honest effort to develop their sporting ability, to include fitness, skill, technique and tactical ability.
- A Player must strive to set a positive example for younger players and supporters.
- A Player should safeguard the physical fitness of opponents, avoid violence and rough play, and where possible help injured opponents.
- A Player must give maximum effort and strive for the best possible performance during each game.
- A Player must avoid all forms of gamesmanship, and time wasting.
- A Player must refrain from using inappropriate language particularly to referees/officials and other players during games.
- A Player must make every effort consistent with fair play and the laws of the game to help their own team win.
- A Player must resist any influence which might, or might be seen to, bring into question their commitment to the team winning.
- A Player should know and abide by the laws, rules of the game and of any given competition, both in fact and in spirit.
- A Player should accept victory and defeat with equanimity.
- A player must resist any temptation to consume or otherwise imbibe any banned substances.
- A Player must treat opponents with respect at all times, irrespective of the outcome of any game.
- A Player must demonstrate due respect towards match officials.
- A Player must accept the decisions of the match officials without protest.
- A Player must avoid words or actions which may mislead a match official.
- A Player must abide by the lawful instructions and directions of mentors and team officials.
- A Player must act towards the mentors and officials of the opposing side in a respectful manner.
- A Player must demonstrate due regard for the interest of supporters.
- A Player must not act or speak so as to incite or encourage supporters to act in a manner that may endanger the safety of anyone attending or participating in the game.

- A Player should not either directly or indirectly place a bet on the outcome of any game in which he is involved.
- A Player must always have regard to the best interests of the game when publicly expressing an opinion on the game or on others involved in the game.
- In making public comments on a particular fixture or on the game in general a Player must be mindful of upholding and promoting the good name of the game and others involved in it in the wider community.

Signature of Player:	
Date:	
Signature of Club Chairman/ Children's Officer:	
Date:	