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Tristar Boys' FC

Code of Conduct for Children/Young Players

Tristar Boys' FC is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of all its members. The club believes that it is important that staff/coaches/volunteers and parents/guardians associated with the club should, at all times, show respect and understanding for the safety and welfare of others. Therefore, everyone is encouraged to be open at all times and to share any concerns or complaints that they may have about any aspect of the club with the club Chairman.

Football clubs for children/young people should offer a positive experience where they can learn new things in a safe and positive environment.

As a member of Tristar Boys' FC, you are expected to abide by the following code of practice:

Children/young players are expected to:

- ⚽ When representing the club, players should wear full Tristar football kits and Tracksuits. Tristar Socks and shorts must be worn at all games.
- ⚽ Be loyal and give their team mates a second chance.
- ⚽ Be friendly and particularly welcoming to new members.
- ⚽ Be supportive and committed to other team mates, offer comfort when required.
- ⚽ Not get involved in inappropriate peer pressure and push others into something they do not want to do.
- ⚽ Not be involved in any form of inappropriate Social Media, posting inappropriate material, Social/Cyber bullying, etc.
- ⚽ Be responsible for their own kit.
- ⚽ Wear appropriate footwear/shin pads.
- ⚽ Bring their own water bottle/fluid.
- ⚽ Keep within the defined boundary of the playing/coaching area.
- ⚽ Show a high standard of behaviour during all club activities and never show dissent or use foul or abusive language or racial/sectarian references.
- ⚽ Listen to all instructions from the coach/volunteers and apply themselves in training.
- ⚽ Respect the club's property i.e. kit, training facilities, equipment and dressing rooms.
- ⚽ Refrain from bullying or persistent use of rough and dangerous play.
- ⚽ Show respect to other players, staff/coaches/volunteers and parents/guardians.
- ⚽ Respect the players and coaches of other clubs.
- ⚽ Report inappropriate behaviour.
- ⚽ Play fairly, do not cheat.
- ⚽ Respect officials and accept decisions. Players should make an effort to study the laws of the game.
- ⚽ Be gracious in defeat, and show humility in victory.
- ⚽ Never use violence.
- ⚽ Ensure that you are punctual for all matches and training sessions.
- ⚽ Contact club coaches or officials if unavailable for matches or training sessions in good time.
- ⚽ Inform coaches of any medical condition or injury sustained before or during club activities.
- ⚽ Be collected on time.
- ⚽ Shake your team mates hand before and after games and training.



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Children/young people have the right to:

- ⚽ Be safe and happy in football
- ⚽ Be listened to
- ⚽ Be believed when asking for help.
- ⚽ Be respected and treated fairly
- ⚽ Privacy
- ⚽ Enjoy football in a protective environment
- ⚽ Be referred to professional help if needed
- ⚽ Be protected from inappropriate behaviour/abuse by other club members or outside sources.
- ⚽ Be protected from any forms of inappropriate Social Media.
- ⚽ Participate on an equal basis, appropriate to their ability.
- ⚽ Experience competition and the desire to win.

Disciplinary Procedure

Any breach of the Code of Conduct for Children/Young Players will be addressed by the immediate coach/volunteer and reported verbally and in writing to the designated Child Protection person/coordinator. If a child/young player continues to breach the Code of Conduct after an initial verbal warning from the immediate coach/volunteer, the following disciplinary action should take place:

1st Official Warning - Reported to parent/guardian/Child Protection Officer, verbally & in writing - 2 week suspension.

2nd Official (final) - Reported to parent/guardian/Child Protection Officer, verbally and in writing - Minimum 6 month warning/suspension.

In extreme cases of gross misconduct, expulsion will be considered and may be immediate.

Examples of Gross misconduct, but not limited to, are:

- ⚽ Posting inappropriate material on Social media, particularly any Tristar named forums.
- ⚽ Verbal or physical abuse of coaches, committee members or other players
- ⚽ Striking another member of the club.

The club will form a Disciplinary Committee as well as an Appeals Committee. If parents/guardians wish to appeal any of the committee's decisions they must do so in writing, by special delivery letter, within 7 days of receiving official notification.

The decision of the Appeals Committee shall be final and binding on all parties concerned and there should be no further appeals from it.

Signed by player: _____ Print Name: _____

Parent's Signature: _____ Print Name: _____

Date: _____