



Malpas & District Junior Football Club



Grounds: Malpas Sports Club, The Oxhays, Wrexham Road, Malpas, Cheshire
Bishop Heber High School, Farndon Community Field
www.malpasfc.co.uk

Code of Conduct 23/24

As a player, you have a big part to play, that's why Malpas & District Junior Football Club and The FA are asking every Player, Spectator, Parent/Guardian and Coach/Manager to follow a Respect Code of Conduct.

It is important everyone behaves themselves when playing football.

Code of Conduct: Young Players

When playing football, I will:

In the instance of COVID or similar Public Health conditions:

- Always follow all COVID-19 Safety Measures to keep myself and others safe.
- Undertake the COVID-19 Self-Assessment protocol before every session and inform my parent / manager of the outcome (in line with the COVID-19 Policy Traffic Light system).
- Always do my best, even if we're losing or the other team is stronger
- Play fairly - I won't cheat, complain or waste time
- Never be rude, offensive or discriminatory to my team-mates, the other team, the referee, spectators or my coach/team manager
- Do what the referee tells me
- Congratulate and thank the other team and referee at the end of the game
- Listen to my coach/team manager and respect what he/she says
- Talk to someone I trust, for example my parents or the club welfare officer if I'm unhappy about anything at my club.
- Never post any harmful or discriminatory comments on social media or via other on-line platforms.

I understand that if I do not follow the code, disciplinary action may be taken against me by Malpas & District Junior Football Club and the matter may be escalated to the Chester & District Invitational Junior Football League and/ or County FA.

Code of Conduct: Spectators, Parents/Carers

I will:

In the instance of COVID or similar Public Health conditions:

- Always follow all new COVID-19 Safety Measures to keep myself and others safe.
- Undertake the COVID-19 Self-Assessment protocol before every session and the manager of the outcome (in line with the COVID-19 Policy Traffic Light system).
- Remain outside the field of play and behind the Designated Spectator Area (where provided)
- Refrain from standing behind or close to the goal
- Never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, discriminatory, insulting or abusive language or behaviour
- Always respect the match officials' decisions
- Applaud effort and good play as well as success
- Refrain from making inappropriate comments that bring players, coaches or other teams into disrepute via email, social media or other on-line platform.
- Avoid posting photos of other players and / or reporting match results on social media.

In addition, when attending youth games I will:

- Remember that children play for FUN
- Let the coaches do their job and not confuse the players by telling them what to do
- Encourage the players to respect the opposition and match officials
- Never criticise a player for making a mistake - mistakes are part of learning

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Code of Conduct: Managers/Coaches

In the instance of COVID or similar Public Health conditions:

- Always follow all new COVID-19 Safety Measures to keep myself and others safe.
- Undertake the COVID-19 Self-Assessment protocol before every session (in line with the COVID-19 Policy Traffic Light system).
- Must respect the rights' dignity and worth of each and every person and treat each equally within the context of the sport
- Must place the well being and safety of each player above all other considerations, including the development of performance
- Must adhere to all guidelines laid down within the Constitution and the Rules of The Football Association
- Must develop an appropriate working relationship with each player based on mutual trust and respect
- Must not exert undue influence to obtain personal benefit or reward
- Must encourage and guide players to accept responsibility for their own behavior and performance
- Must ensure that the activities they direct or advocate is appropriate for the age, maturity, experience and ability of players
- Should, at the outset, clarify with the player (and, where appropriate, their parents) exactly what is expected of them and also what they are entitled to expect from their coach
- Must co-operate fully with other specialists (e.g. other coaches, officials, sports scientists, doctors, physiotherapists) in the best interests of the player
- Must always promote the appropriate Code of Conduct and positive aspects of the sport (e.g. fair play) to players, parents and spectators alike. Never condone violations of the Laws of the Game, behaviour contrary to the spirit of the Laws of the Game or relevant rule and regulations or the use of the prohibited substances or techniques
- Must consistently display high standards of behaviour and experience and be a role model for players, parents and spectators
- Must adhere to all Malpas & District Junior Football Club policies which have been agreed in committee meetings

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Agreed Date: 1st September 2023

Review Date: 31st August 2024

Signed by Player:

Date:

Signed by Parent / Guardian

Date:

Countersigned by Coach:

Date:

