



Codes of Conduct

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Players

It is important for everybody involved within the Club, at all levels, to ensure that they are representing Aberdare Town and themselves in the right way.

- Encourage, support and co-operate with my team mates
- Not to bully or make anyone feel sad or unhappy
- Show respect and fair play to my opponents – shaking their hands at the end of a game
- Play within the rules of the game, not to cheat or waste time
- Respect my coach/manager and listen to what my coach/manager tells me
- Respect officials and accept all decisions without question and shake their hands at the end of the game
- Not to make nasty comments about a team mate, another player/team or coach/manager on any website or social networking site.
- Tell my Club Safeguarding Officer or someone I trust if I feel unhappy, uncomfortable or concerned about anything



Coaches, Volunteers, Club Officials

It is important for everybody involved within the Club, at all levels, to ensure that they are representing Aberdare Town and themselves in the right way.

- Show exemplary behaviour by respecting match officials, opposition players, coaches, managers and spectators
- Treat all players equally by supporting and motivating all players
- Give all players, whatever their ability, the chance to play
- Accept that striving to win is more important than winning itself
- Always pursue fair play – adhere to the laws and the spirit of the game
- Encourage players to accept responsibility for their own performance and behaviour
- Never to engage or tolerate any form of bullying
- Never abuse or misuse any relationship of trust or position of power
- Display high standards, behave responsibly and never engage in or tolerate the use of foul, abusive, insulting or inappropriate words, behaviour or gestures
- Get Behind the Line and not enter the field of play without prior permission from referee
- Ensure the enjoyment, safety and welfare of a child under my supervision is considered paramount at all times
- Record any allegations, accidents or incidents and refer to designated person
- Organise activities appropriate to the players' ability level, age and maturity
- Appreciate all efforts and not to over-train the players
- Ensure that coaching sessions are fun, well-structured and focus on developing skill, decision – making and understanding of the game
- Respect and listen to the opinions of children
- Refrain from smoking or drinking alcohol during club activities or training sessions
- Be aware of the FAW Safeguarding Policy, Procedures & Practices and observe the responsibilities involved, including the FAW Communication guidelines
- Not to make inappropriate comments about another player, coach, official, spectator or volunteer on any website or social networking site which may bring the game into disrepute



Parents & Supporters

It is important for everybody involved within the Club, at all levels, to ensure that they are representing Aberdare Town and themselves in the right way.

- Show exemplary behaviour by respecting and appreciating match officials, opposition players, coaches, managers and spectators
- Deliver and collect your child punctually before and after training, matches and club events.
- Support and motivate all players, including the opposition, and encourage your child to do the same.
- Encourage your child to obey the laws of the game and teach them that they can only do their best.
- Never publicly criticise, ridicule or embarrass any children.
- Ensure your child has kit and clothing appropriate to the environment and weather conditions.
- Ensure that proper sportswear and protective kit are provided and worn.
- Disclose any medical concerns or changes in medical conditions to the Club Safeguarding Officer and the Team Manager.
- Not place unnecessary pressure on your child or push them into activities they do not want to do.
- Applaud effort and good play
- Not to interfere with coach instructions and not to confuse the players by telling them what to do.
- Encourage all children not to discriminate on the grounds of religious beliefs, race, gender, social classes or lack of ability.
- Accept that striving to win is more important than winning itself.
- Respect the decisions of the match officials.
- Ensure that your child has read and understood their Code of Conduct.
- Not to post anything inappropriate, or negative on social media which may bring the game into disrepute.
- Display high standards, behave responsibly and never engage in or tolerate the use of foul, abusive, insulting or inappropriate words, behaviour or gestures.
- Get Behind the Line and not enter the field of play without prior permission from the referee.
- Make football fun