



Players & Supporters Code of Conduct

Broughty United YFC operates the following Players & Supporters Code of Conduct. We all have a responsibility to promote high standards of behaviour in the game.

Players and supporters shall comply with the Code of Conduct. Those who are proven to be operating outwith the code will be liable for action to be taken against them by the Club.

The actions that the club may take include; requests to make an apology, formal warning from coach or club committee, dropped or substituted, suspended from training/playing or required to leave the club.

Players Should.....

- Act in a responsible manner and treat all players and coaches equally and with dignity and respect when representing Broughty United Youth Football Club.
- Play by the rules – the rules of your club and the laws of the game.
- Never argue with a referee or other official – without these people you can't play football.
- Control your temper - verbal abuse of officials and abusing other players doesn't help you enjoy or win any games.
- Be a team player – It's a team game, treat it that way.
- Treat all players as you would like to be treated – fairly.
- Shake hands with the other team and referee at the end of the game.
- Co-operate with your coach, the referees and team-mates.
- Don't use ugly remarks based on race, religion, gender or ability – you'll let down your coach, team-mates and family if you do.
- Wear suitable kit for training and games. Shin guards are required for all football sessions.
- Prepare for training and matches as stated by your coach. (e.g. clean boots, appropriate footwear for the playing surface, drinks, etc.) and keep to agreed timings.
- Make your coach aware of when you are training / playing with your school or other team.
- Take reasonable care for your own health & safety and that of others who may be affected by what you do or don't do. Correctly use all equipment provided by the club. Not interfere with or misuse anything provided for your health, safety or welfare.
- Always work hard and do your best. Play for your enjoyment and try to improve your skills.
- Listen and respond to what your coach/manager says.
- Talk to someone you trust or the club protection officer if you are unhappy or have concerns.
- Respect your body. No smoking, alcohol or drugs are permitted (excluding essential medication).

Parents and Supporters *Should*.....

- Remember that you are there for the participants to enjoy the game.
- Encourage participation but don't force it.
- Never coach any player during the game or confuse the players by telling them what to do.
- Set a good example by recognizing fair play and applauding good performances, not just winning or results.
- Never ridicule mistakes or losses – supporters are there to support not downgrade.
- Lead by example and respect all players, coaches, referees and spectators – physical or verbal abuse will not be tolerated.
- Encourage and guide players to accept responsibility for their own performance and behavior to the best of their ability.
- Recognise all volunteers who are giving up their valuable time.
- Never publicly criticise referees – raise personal concerns with club officials in private.
- Openly accept judgements of coaches and committee members. The team manager, coaches and club officials must be respected at all times, and actions contrary to this will not be tolerated.
- Ensure affiliation fees are paid promptly as advised by team manager/coach.
- Don't use ugly remarks based on race, religion, gender or ability – you'll let down your family and yourself if you do – & many such comments are actually now illegal.
- Discuss any concerns with the manager, coach or committee member at earliest opportunity.

By registering our/my child with Broughty United YFC we agree to abide by these principles. I/we support the Club in its undertakings and encourage the Club to take any necessary disciplinary actions where warranted of any players, parents and or spectators for repeated or serious breaches of these Codes of Conduct.

I/We hereby acknowledge my understanding of the above noted requirements and my responsibilities relating thereto. I/We agree to fully comply with the Code of Conduct and further note and commit to the following;

- Any resources, kit or equipment provided by the Club or my team remains the property of the Club/team and will be returned should I leave.
- Should I leave the Club/team for any reason, I agree to reimburse a reasonably agreed amount in respect of budgeted affiliation fees for the remainder of the season.

Player Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent/Supporter Signature: _____ **Date:** _____