



Code of conduct for managers, coaches and club officials

At Verwood Town Football Club we want football to be safe and fun for all age groups. The club ethos explains the guiding principles of the club. As manager and coaches we expect you to:

- Show respect to others involved in the game including to players, officials, and spectators
- Adhere to the laws of the game
- Display and promote high standards of behaviour, e.g. no swearing, no smoking
- Always respect the match officials' decisions
- Never enter the field of play without the referee's permission
- Never engage in public criticism of match officials
- Never engage in or tolerate offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour
- Place the wellbeing, safety and enjoyment of each player above everything, including the result
- Explain clearly what you expect of players and what they can expect from you
- Ensure the parents and carers of players under 18 understand these expectations
- Refrain from and refuse to tolerate any form of bullying
- Develop mutual trust and respect with every player to build their self esteem
- Encourage each player to accept responsibility for their own and behaviour and performance
- Ensure all activities organised are appropriate for players ability level, experience, age and maturity

If you do not follow this code, then any or all of the following actions may be taken by the club:

- Required to meet with the club, league or county FA welfare officer
- Suspended by the club from attending matches
- Suspended or fined by the county FA
- Follow the club disciplinary policy