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Coaches Code of Conduct

Coaches/Mentors are critical to the establishment of good practices in football. Their attitude to the game directly informs the attitude of the players under their supervision. Coach/Mentors must speak and act in a manner consistent with this reality.

As a Coach/Mentor you will;

1. Complete Garda Vetting and Safeguard 1 before working commencing my role as a Coach
2. Complete appropriate course if Head Coach of any Team, ex. PDP1, PDP2, 7v7, etc.
3. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of each person and treat each equally within the context of the sport.
4. Not subscribe to the ethos of "win at all costs". We promote winning within our development. Win as an individual, as a team, as a club. Working on and developing a skill for a child should be seen as a win.

Development & Winning;

- a. Players see benefits of work they put in during training.
 - b. Equal emphasis on process and end goal.
 - c. Long term development mindset with short term benchmarks.
 - d. Create winning habits and competitive mentality.
 - e. Improves training environment.
5. Place the health, well-being and safety of each player above all other considerations.
 6. Abide by the rules of the game and club.
 7. Strive to develop an appropriate working relationship with each player based on mutual respect.
 8. Have particular regard for the code when working with young players in the game.
 9. Not exert undue influence to obtain personal benefit or reward.
 10. Guide players to accept responsibility for their own behaviour and performance.
 11. Ensure that the activities and strategies they direct and advocate are appropriate for the age, maturity, experience and ability of players involved.
 12. Clarify with the players (and where the players are under the age of 18, their parents) exactly what is expected of them and also what they are entitled to expect from the Mentor.
 13. Co-operate with specialists within the game e.g. other coaches, officials, sport scientists, doctors, and physiotherapists, etc. in the best interest of players.
 14. Be conversant with the laws of the game and the rules of any competition in which a team under his/her stewardship is participating.
 15. Encourage players to adhere to the club's code.
 16. Observe the highest standards of integrity and fair dealing.
 17. Promote a positive approach to the game e.g. fair play, honest endeavour and genuine teamwork.
 18. Not encourage or condone violations of the laws of the game, behaviour contrary to the spirit of the game, or the use of questionable strategies or tactics.
 19. Not encourage or condone the use of prohibited substances.
 20. Consistently display high standards of behaviour and comment.
 21. Not Use or tolerate the use of inappropriate language.
 22. Demonstrate due respect towards match officials.
 23. Accept the decisions of the match officials.
 24. Accept the Decision of Club Committee

25. Use the proper procedures for making an official complaint.
26. Play only players who are confirmed as present on the FAI Team sheet for said competition.
 - a. Players can only play in their own age group and one level above. Girls can play a level lower in the boy's competition if desired as part of the player's development.
27. Notify the club registrar if a player has not made contact for three weeks. (2 games).
28. In the event of large squads on the FAI Team sheet, match day squads should be limited to 18 players.
 - a. At the discretion of the coach, players should miss the match day team sheet if they do any of the following.
 - (i) Miss a preceding training session or match.
 - ii) Persistently missing training or matches.
 - iii) Poor discipline iv) Poor time keeping.
 - v) In the event that all players are engaged and behaving, create a rota and give ensure players are give equal match day experience.
29. In order for the club to be consistent and fair to all, all proposed events or activities need to be approved by the clubs senior committee at planning stage. Health and Safety guidelines must be always adhered to, appropriate measures put in place in advance and all risk assessments documented. Events such as presentations to teams/coaches/volunteers also fall under this policy in the event and managed/approved by the club committee at all times to ensure all members are considered.
30. Only equipment and property owned and approved by the club is to be used for playing, training or approved events. Property can be sponsored or purchased but must be approved and risk assessment done before use. Sponsorship must be paid to the club and the club will issue payment to the vendor. This property will then be documented as belonging to the club and to be stored by the club for all to be used. At the end of each season or at end of life all good /property to be returned to Fitz's Field and the clubs Equipment Manager informed so all items such as balls, bibs, medical kits, training aids etc. Replacements can then be organised if needed for current or season ahead.

Understand that if a coach does not follow the Code of conduct, action may be taken by the club, league or National Association.

Revisions

Revision	Comment	Date	Who
1.0	New Release 2024/24 Season	01/09/2024	D Broxton
1.1	Add revision history and requirement 29 & 30	24/11/2024	D Broxton