Greatham Youth Football Club
Code of Conduct for Players

Greatham Football Club expects all players to comply with the following code of conduct as laid out in the F.A. development programme manual.

Obligations towards the game

Players should

1. Make every effort to develop their own sporting abilities, in terms of skill, technique, tactics and stamina.
2. Give maximum effort and strive for the best possible performance during a game, even if his team is in a position where the desired result has already been achieved.
3. Set a positive example for others, particularly young players and supporters.
4. Avoid all forms of gamesmanship and time-wasting.
5. Not use offensive language.

Obligations towards one's own team

Players should

1. Make every effort consistent with Fair Play and the Laws of the Game to help his own team win.
2. Resist any influence which might be seen to bring into question his commitment to the team winning.
3. Support individuals within the team when things do not go according to plan
4. Adopt the policy of "We are a team, not individuals".

Respect for the Laws of the Game and competition rules

Players should

1. Know and abide by the Laws, rules and spirit of the game, and the competition rules.
2. Accept success and failure, victory and defeat, equally.
3. Resist any temptation to take banned substances or use banned techniques.

Respect towards Opponents

Players should

1. Treat opponents with due respect at all times, irrespective of the result of the game.
2. Safeguard the physical fitness of opponents, avoid violence and rough play, and help injured opponents.

Respect towards the Match Officials

Players should

1. Accept the decision of the Match Official without protest.
2. Avoid words or actions which may mislead a Match Official.
3. Show due respect towards Match Officials.

Respect towards Team Officials

Players should

1. Abide by the instructions of their Coach and Team Officials, provided they do not contradict the spirit of this Code.
2. Show due respect towards the Team Officials of the opposition.

Obligations towards the Supporters

Players should

Show due respect to the interests of supporters.