



Code of Conduct for Players of Tankerton FC



Players are the most important people in the sport. Playing for the team, and for the team to win, is the most fundamental part of the game. But not winning at any cost – **fair play** and **respect** for all others in the game is fundamentally important.

Obligations towards the game

As a player you should:

- Make every effort to develop your sporting abilities, in terms of skill, technique, tactics and stamina.
- Give maximum effort and strive for the best possible performance during a game, even if your team is in a position where the desired result has already been achieved.
- Set a positive example for others, particularly younger players and supporters.
- Avoid all forms of gamesmanship and time-wasting.
- Always have regard to the best interests of the game, including where publicly expressing an opinion on the game and any particular aspect of it, including others involved in the game.
- Not use inappropriate language.

Obligations towards your team

As a player for Tankerton FC you should:

- Make every effort consistent with Fair Play and the Laws of the Game to help your team win.
- Resist any influence which might, or might be seen to, bring into question your commitment to the team winning.

Respect for the Laws of the Game and competition rules

As a player for Tankerton FC you should:

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

Respect towards Opponents

As a player for Tankerton FC you should:

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

Respect towards the Match Officials

As a player for Tankerton FC you should:

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

Respect towards Team Officials

As a player for Tankerton FC you should:

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

Obligations towards the Supporters

As a player for Tankerton FC you should:

- Show respect to the interests of supporters.

Abiding by the Code of Conduct

As a player for Tankerton FC you accept that your Coach and/or officials of the Club will, where necessary, deal with any infringement of the Code of Conduct. The Club agrees to act fairly and impose, where it sees fit, the appropriate penalty. Where the infringement is considered sufficiently serious you understand that this may include being expelled from the Club.

Should you disagree with the Club's decision in any such matters you understand you have a Right of Appeal in accordance with the rules of the Club.

Declaration

As a player for Tankerton FC I confirm this Code of Conduct has been explained to me, that I understand what it means and that I agree to adhere to it to the best of my ability.

Please read and retain this copy and sign and return the Parental/Player Consent Form to acknowledge you agree to abide by this code of conduct