



Code of Conduct

Children/Young Players

Kilmore Rec FC is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of all its members. The club believes that it is important that staff/coaches/volunteers and parents/guardians associated with the club should, at all times, show respect and understanding for the safety and welfare of others. Therefore, everyone is encouraged to be open at all times and to share any concerns or complaints that they may have about any aspect of the club with **Andrew Waterworth/Michael Carvill/ Barry Mullan** – Youth Development Team and safeguarding officer.

Football clubs for children/young people should offer a positive experience where they can learn new things in a safe and positive environment.

As a member of **Kilmore Rec FC**, you are expected to abide by the following code of conduct:

Children/young players are expected to:

- ⚽ Show respect to other players, staff/coaches/volunteers and parents/guardians
- ⚽ Be friendly and particularly welcoming to new members
- ⚽ Be supportive and committed to other team mates, offer comfort when required
- ⚽ Not get involved in inappropriate peer pressure and push others into something they do not want to do
- ⚽ Be responsible for their own kit
- ⚽ Wear appropriate footwear/shin pads
- ⚽ Bring their own water bottle
- ⚽ Keep within the defined boundary of the playing/coaching area
- ⚽ Behave and listen to all instructions from the coach/volunteers
- ⚽ Take care of equipment owned by the club
- ⚽ Refrain from the use of bad language or racial/sectarian references

- ⚽ Refrain from bullying or persistent use of rough and dangerous play
- ⚽ Report inappropriate behaviour to Safeguarding officer or Head of Youth Development
- ⚽ Play fairly
- ⚽ Respect officials and accept decisions
- ⚽ Be gracious in defeat
- ⚽ Respect opponents including coaches /parents and opposing players
- ⚽ Not use violence
- ⚽ Arrive on time
- ⚽ Be collected on time.
- ⚽ Refrain from engaging in any antisocial activity within the community.
- ⚽ Show respect to members of the community and your environment.
- ⚽ Not be in possession or consume any controlled substances.

Children/ have the right to:

- ⚽ Be safe and happy in football
- ⚽ Be listened to
- ⚽ Be respected and treated fairly
- ⚽ Privacy
- ⚽ Enjoy football in a protective environment
- ⚽ Be protected from inappropriate behaviour/abuse by other club members or outside sources
- ⚽ Participate on an equal basis, appropriate to their ability
- ⚽ Experience competition and the desire to develop

You are reminded that members are representatives of Kilmore Rec FC at all times and all codes, policies & procedures are applicable during all Kilmore Rec FC related activities and whilst wearing any Kilmore Rec FC apparel.

Any breach of the Code of Conduct for Children/Young Players will be addressed by the immediate coach/volunteer and reported verbally and in writing to the designated Child Protection person/co-ordinator or Head of Youth development .

If a child/young player continues to breach the Code of Conduct after an initial verbal warning from the immediate coach/volunteer, the following disciplinary action should take place:

1st Official Warning	Reported to parent/guardian verbally & in writing	2 Week suspension
2nd Official (Final) Warning	Reported to parent/guardian verbally & in writing	Min 6 month suspension. IN extreme cases, expulsion will be considered.

The club/ should form a Disciplinary Committee as well as an Appeals Committee. If parents/guardians wish to appeal any of the committee's decisions they must do so in writing, by special delivery letter, within 7 days of receiving official notification.

The decision of the Appeals Committee shall be final and binding on all parties concerned and there should be no further appeals from it.

Signed by player: _____ Print Name: _____

Parent's Signature: _____ Print Name: _____

Date: _____