



Ministry of Football

Code of Conduct for adults & spectators at Mini-Leagues

This Code of Conduct is for all adults, organisers and spectators at Mini-League games. This includes family, parents, spectators and Team Organisers.

In addition to this Code of Conduct, all parents should read the For Parents page of the MoF website. All parents must sign a Consent Form for their child, and carefully read the back of the Consent Form for further information on Child Protection.

We all share the responsibility to promote high standards of behaviour in football.

I will:

- Remain outside the field of play and behind the designated spectator area (where provided)
- Never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour
- Always respect the decisions from Team Organisers and MoF Coaches.
- Applaud effort and good play as well as success
- Remember that children play for FUN. Don't be obsessed with score-lines or winning games – if you need to get competitive, we will provide playing areas where adults can play their own games
- Let the children make their own decisions in games, don't tell them what to do. Remember: We want them to grow up to know more than us and therefore they need to learn things that we cannot teach
- Encourage the players to respect the opposition and organisers
- Never criticise a player for making a mistake - mistakes are part of learning
- Let a MoF Coach know immediately if you see or suspect anything that could be dangerous to the well-being of the children
- Do not castigate or lecture other people's children. If there is a problem, see a MoF Coach and let them deal with it.
- Enjoy it! That's what the children want to do too