



Birtley Town Football Club **Code of Conduct**

Section 1: PLAYERS:

- 1: Learn and observe the laws of the game.
- 2: Beat opponents by skill not unfair means.
- 3: Never argue with the referee or his assistants.
- 4: Retire the required 10 yards when a free kick is awarded against your team.
- 5: Give the ball promptly to your opponents when a free kick, throw in or corner is awarded against your team.
- 6: When you receive the ball from an opponent for a free kick, throw in or corner. DO NOT take advantage of him/her not being in position.
- 7: Keep your self control, DO NOT retaliate or shout insults to anyone including your own teammates.
- 8: Enjoy victory in a sporting manner and accept defeat graciously.
- 9: Respect match officials, team managers and spectators, remember to respect yourself, remember your club is judged on your behaviour.
- 10: DO NOT use ABUSIVE, FOUL, or INSULTING language and NEVER make RACIST comments to anyone.

Section 2: PARENTS:

- 1:** Always give a warm welcome to both players and spectators from our opponent's team.
- 2:** Show you appreciate good football by encouraging both teams.
- 3:** Never "Boo" anyone or argue with the officials.
- 4:** Enjoy the game but consider other people when becoming excited.
- 5:** Always maintain a high standard of behaviour as the club is judged by how everyone, not just the players conduct themselves.
- 6:** No matter what the result of the game always shows your appreciation for both the officials, and both sets of players.
- 7:** The use of foul, abusive or insulting language is not acceptable, neither are any racist remarks.
- 8:** The club will act against any individual found to be acting in a manner that undermines the principles of these rules.

RESPECT