



Gumeracha Junior Football Club

Codes of Responsibilities

Parents & Spectators

All adults present at club events are expected to demonstrate behaviour that enhances the image of the football club and provides a good model for young people.

Encourage young people to participate. Do not force them.

Focus upon the child's efforts & performance & not the overall outcome of the game.

Demonstrate support for all club policies and codes.

Avoid using foul or derogatory language.

Don't ridicule players. Focus on the positives.

Support coaches, umpires and club officials. Without them your child could not participate.

If you disagree with an umpire or an official, do not question the umpires or officials judgement and honesty in public.

Should you have concerns or grievances please contact the Junior Director.

Coaches

Remember that young people participate for pleasure, and winning is only part of the fun.

Operate within the rules and spirit of your sport and teach your players to do the same.

Never ridicule or yell at a player for making a mistake or not coming first.

Be reasonable in your demands on players' time, energy and enthusiasm.

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Ensure that the time players spend with you is a positive experience. All young people are deserving of equal attention and opportunities.

Avoid overplaying the talented players; the 'just average' need and deserve equal time.

Ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of all players.

Display control, respect and professionalism to all involved with the sport. This includes opponents, coaches, officials, administrators, the media, parents and spectators. Encourage players to do the same.

Show concern and caution towards sick and injured players. Follow the advice of a physician and/or club trainer when determining whether an injured player is ready to recommence training or competition.

Obtain appropriate qualifications and keep up to date with the latest coaching practices and the principles of growth and development of young people.

Any physical contact with a young person should be appropriate to the situation and necessary for the player's skill development.

Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

Demonstrate support for all club policies and codes.

Encourage other adults to participate in roles such as team manager, umpires etc.

Encourage players to abide by the appropriate codes of behaviour.

Submit any issues and concerns to the junior committee.

Players

Learn the rules of the game & play by them at all times.

Never argue with an umpire or official. Leave the umpiring to the umpire. Never waste time and energy disputing a decision. If you disagree, have your captain or coach approach the official at an appropriate time.

Show umpires respect. Remember that many are volunteers, who are simply keen to help out. Without them you would not have a game.

Control your temper. Physical or verbal abuse directed towards officials and players is not acceptable.

Respect and cooperate with your coach, other club officials and your team mates. Without them there would be no competition.

Treat all players, as you would like to be treated.

Cooperate with your coach, team-mates and opponents.

Above all, enjoy yourself.

Football is a team game. Always put the team first. Work selflessly for your team mates and your club.

Additional codes for Under 8's – Under 11's

Officials' Responsibilities

Modify rules and regulations to match the skill level of all participants.

Compliment all participants on their efforts.

Be consistent, objective and courteous.

Use common sense to ensure the "Spirit of the Game" for children is not lost through over emphasising errors.

Ensure that your behaviour is consistent with the principles of good sporting behaviour.

Make a personal commitment to keep yourself informed of sound officiating principles and the principle of growth and development of children

Different captain to be selected each week.

Umpires' Responsibilities

Implement the rules of the competition being umpired.

Ensure the environment for the match is safe for all participants.

Ensure that the players safety is paramount during the game.

***Remember children are involved in sports for their enjoyment,
not yours***