



## Mini Sports Stars FC Season 2024-2025

### Players Code Of Conduct

#### **Respect Each Other**

In order to gain the best possible experience when representing Mini Sports Stars Football club, you must play as a team. This means winning together as a team, drawing and losing together as a team.

Respecting each other includes:

- Not having a go at one of your team-mates if they make a mistake
- No negative comments, saying your team-mates are not good at football or not as good as you
- Playing together as a team, passing your teammates the ball and working together. Not trying to do it all by yourself
- Encouraging each other, saying well done or telling them they've done something well

We all like winning when we play football, but it is very important to respect each other in the process. Any player who does not respect their team-mates will not be allowed to participate against other teams on match days.

#### **Respect Your coach**

Sometimes in training, you might want to just play matches which we understand is the most exciting thing about football. But, to ensure you improve and reach your maximum potential, it is super important you are always listening and trying your best in training. This is where a lot of learning takes place, and is a place where you can try lots of different things; make mistakes so you know what works for when you play your matches against opposition. So, when you think to yourself 'this is boring, or ' I don't want to do this', there is a reason behind it which your coach will explain in order to become the best player you can be.

#### **Respect Your Parent/Carer**

Just because you are now representing Mini Sports Stars Football club, does not mean you cannot show respect to your parents or carer. Your parents/carers work very hard everyday to ensure you have the best future and want to give you lots of opportunity. They pay lots of money for you to play for this football club. If anybody is not showing respect to their parents they may miss a match day against another team until they are showing respect.

#### **Respect Your Manager**

When you play on match days for Mini Sports Stars football club, it is equally important to show respect to your manager. This includes:

- Not moaning if you are asked to play in a specific position, do it for the team
- Not moaning if you are substituted
- Not moaning whilst on the side line about coming on



- Always try your best, even if you are not playing in your favourite position

Anybody who is not showing respect to their manager will not play for Mini Sports Stars until they are showing the right amount of respect.

### **Respect The Referee**

Just because somebody becomes the referee, does not excuse us to start talking disrespectfully to him or her. They are only human, just like you. They will make mistakes. They are not going to get every decision correct. Some decisions will go in your favour and some decisions will go against you. You may get fouled in the penalty area, and you know yourself that it is a penalty but the referee doesn't give it to you.

This is no excuse to start being rude, disrespectful or saying anything to the referee. We are a club all about respect, and anybody who decides they are going to be rude towards the referee will not play for Mini Sports Stars until they can show the required respect.

### **One Half Minimum Playing Time**

We completely understand that everyone wants to play every minute of every match. No one wants to be substituted and you want to be on the pitch all the time. However, this is a team game and you have to respect the manager and your players when asked to come off of the pitch. However long the game is, all players will at least play half a game. (Club Rules)

For example, if the match is 20 minutes per half so 40 minutes in total, you will at least play 20 minutes of that match.

### **Different Playing Positions**

We understand that every player will have his or her preferred and favourite position in football. At Mini Sports Stars Football Club, you won't just play in one position the whole season. (For example, play striker every game) Playing in different positions will allow you to learn the roles and responsibilities of each position, giving you a better understanding of the game, which will improve you as a player. You might also be unsure as to what your favourite position is, so by swapping will give you the chance to see what you like and don't like.