



### **LIFFORD AFC PLAYERS CODE OF CONDUCT (UNDERAGE)**

- Children in Lifford AFC are entitled to be safe, be happy and have fun and enjoy soccer
- Children are encouraged to realise that they also have responsibilities to treat other children, fellow players, coaches and volunteers with fairness and respect.

### **IN THIS RESPECT CHILDREN AT LIFFORD AFC SHOULD:**

- Respect their Manager and / or coach at all times and respect that the Manager/ Coach is devoting their free time and energy to each child on the team
- Ensure they are aware of the designated fixture day and commit to being available to play unless they are unable to play due to illness, holiday or injury.
- be on their best behaviour at all times , play fairly do their best and have fun
- abide by all club rules
- make high standards of Fair Play the standard others want to follow
- respect opponents, they are not the enemy, they are partners in a sporting event
- shake hands before and after the match, whoever wins
- give opponents a hand if they are injured, put the ball out of play so they can get attention
- accept apologies from opponents when they are offered
- respect fellow team members and support them both when they do well and when things go wrong
- treat players from minority groups with the same respect you show other people
- be modest in victory and be gracious in defeat- “Be A Sport”
- approach the club Children’s Officer with any questions or concerns they might have. Coaches and parents should encourage children to speak out and support them in doing so .

### **Children in Lifford AFC should not:**

- cheat
- use abusive language, or argue with, the referee, officials, team mates or opponents

- use violence, use physical contact only when it is allowed within the rules
- bully
- tell lies about adults or other children or spread rumours
- keep secrets about any person who may have caused them harm
- behave in any manner that may bring the name of Lifford AFC into disrepute.

In Lifford AFC we want children to have fun and develop skills in a safe and Fair Play environment where standards of behaviour are just as important as winning.

**By completing the Lifford AFC Registration Form I undertake that I will comply with these standards and Players Code of Conduct.**