



ERSDA Matchday Behaviour Charter

The standards to which we'll hold ourselves during games

We pride ourselves on working together to create a positive environment for our young people to enjoy their football. So there is no doubt as to what that means, we've drawn on the SFA's "Let Them Play" guidelines to make a match day charter for coaches and supporters. Thank you in advance for helping us put it into practice.

Coaches

- Have the well-being, safety and enjoyment of players as a top priority
- Never tolerate any form of bullying or abuse
- Help players improve with feedback and coaching, not making all their decisions for them
- Encourage fair play & high standards of behaviour
- Always show respect to everyone involved in the game
- Respect the decisions of other coaches
- Don't gloat or antagonise the opposition
- Don't address opposition players or supporters not adhering to the code of conduct – leave that to the opposition coaches
- Remind fellow coaches and supporters from your team only of their obligations if matters get heated
- Absolutely no use of swearing or abusive/ threatening language

Supporters

- When spectating, stay in the designated supporter area for your pitch facility
- Applaud good play and celebrate if a goal is scored
- Let the players play – its their game
- Be a role model for your player in how you talk and act around the game
- Respect the coaches' decisions & don't shout at them – without them volunteering there would be no game
- Don't approach any member of the opposition coaches, players or supporters at any point with aggression or negativity
- Don't shout instructions – the team already has a set of coaches
- Try to have fun and enjoy watching your player play
- Absolutely no use of swearing or abusive/ threatening language