

# Berwick Juniors Youth Development Trust



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## Match Officials Code of Conduct

We all have a responsibility to promote high standards of behaviour in the game. The behaviour of the match officials has an impact, directly and indirectly, on the conduct of everyone involved in the game – both on the pitch and on the side-lines.

**Play your part and always observe the FA's Respect Code of Conduct of match officials.**

### I WILL:

- Be honest and completely impartial at all times
- Apply the laws of the game and competition rules fairly and consistently
- Manage the game in a positive, calm and confident manner
- Deal with all instances of violence, aggression unsporting behaviour, foul play and other misconduct
- Never tolerate offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour from players and team officials
- Support my match official colleagues at all times
- Set a positive personal example by prompting good behaviour from players and team officials
- Set a positive personal example by prompting good behaviour and showing respect to everyone involved in the game
- Communicate with players and encourage fair play
- Respond in a clear, calm and confident manner to any appropriate request for clarification by the team captains
- Prepare physically and mentally for each match
- Complete and submit, accurate and concise reports within the time limit required for games in which I officiate

**I Understand that if I do not follow the Code, any/all of the following actions may be taken:**

### I MAY BE:

- Required to meet with The FA/County Refereeing Official
- Required to meet with The FA/County FA Refereeing Committee

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