



## WWFC CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PARENTS/SPECTATORS

Parents / Spectators have a great influence on children's enjoyment and success in football.

It is important to remember that however good a child becomes at football it is important to reinforce the message to parents and spectators that positive encouragement will contribute to:

- Children enjoying football.
- A sense of personal achievement.
- Self-esteem.
- Improving the child's skills and techniques.

The following codes of conduct should be read in conjunction with the Clubs document entitled '*Behaviour of Adults at Games*'.

- Ensure that your child arrives and is collected on time.
- Display good sportsmanship at all times.
- Stand well back when watching matches – behind the line.
- Do not put pressure on your child especially in matches.
- Always encourage your child – never be negative or criticize.
- Only discuss your concerns about training or matches with the team manager / coach in private.
- Inform the manager if there has been a change in your child's medical condition.
- No swearing at any player, official or supporter.
- No racial abuse or racial remarks are to be made towards any player, official or supporter.
- Ensure that suitable clothing (including shin pads) and footwear is worn by your child.
- Submit your Registration Form and pay your subscriptions on time.
- Give as much notice as possible that your son / daughter will be unavailable for a match, including friendlies.

- Parents/Guardians must support the team manager/coach by ensuring that they are aware of the match/training arrangements.
- Parents must ensure that the match/training session goes ahead before leaving the location.
- Parents must inform the team manager/coach of any change in contact details.
- Parents/Guardians must be aware that players are expected to be available for every match and training session, except in unforeseen circumstances.
- Never direct instructions or advice towards a player(s) – this is the role of the coach and too many voices from the touchline is confusing and unnerving for the player and the team.

### **FA Respect Campaign**

In addition, Wheathampstead Wanderers FC is committed to the FA Respect Campaign and any additional obligations arising therefrom.