



# EAST SURREY GIRLS FC

## CODE OF CONDUCT



We all have a responsibility to promote high standards of behaviour in the game. East Surrey Girls FC is supporting The FA's Respect programme to ensure football can be enjoyed in a safe, positive environment. The Club has created this document to set out our expectations.



### **Player Code of Conduct**

*All players participating at ESG shall:*

- Show respect for their teammates, club volunteers/ coaches and opposition.
- Play by the rules of the game.
- View playing football as an opportunity to learn and have fun.
- Never argue or complain about a coach's calls or decisions.
- Maintain an even temperament and resist retaliation.
- Give 100% effort at practice, and during games.
- Focus on doing their best in school.

### **Volunteer and coaches code of conduct**

*All volunteers and coaches shall:*

- When representing ESG, you will always act in a positive, supportive and respectful manner. You are a role model to our players and must support their development in a positive way.
- Ensure all players receive equal playing time, regardless of ability, experience or any other impacting factors.
- Player's development and enjoyment is our key purpose – winning isn't everything.
- Avoid criticising a player for making a mistake – mistakes are part of learning. Instead applaud effort and hard work.
- Encourage the players to respect the opposition, referee and match officials and ensure you act in the same way.
- Never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, insulting, or abusive language or behaviour about other coaches, players and parents.
- Above all else, ensure the safety and well-being of our players.

### **Parent and spectator code of conduct**

*All parents and spectators shall:*

- Remember player's development and enjoyment is our key purpose – winning isn't everything.
- Avoid criticising a player for making a mistake – mistakes are part of learning. Instead applaud effort and hard work.
- Encourage the players to respect the opposition, referee and match officials and ensure you act in the same way.
- Remain outside the field of play and within the spectator area behind the Respect barrier
- Let the coach do their job and not confuse players by telling them what to do.
- Never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, insulting, or abusive language or behaviour about other coaches, players and parents.
- Above all else, ensure the safety and well-being of our players.

All participants at ESG shall abide by the Club's Code of Conduct at all times. Inappropriate behaviour that is determined to violate this Code of Conduct shall result in disciplinary action by the ESG committee. This could lead to up to expulsion from the game/field, and expulsion from the future programmes.