

Coaches Code of Conduct

Barrowford Celtic aim to provide a high standard of coaching and well being for players. It is essential that these standards are maintained and whenever possible improved.

Coaches are the key to the establishment of ethics in football. Their concept of ethics and their attitude directly affect the behaviour of players under their supervision. Coaches are therefore expected to pay particular attention to the moral aspects of their conduct. Coaches have to be aware that most of their everyday actions and decisions have ethical implications.

It is natural that winning constitutes a basic concern for coaches and this code of conduct is not intended to conflict with that. However the club expects coaches to disassociate them from a 'win at all costs' mentality. More and more coaches have to accept increased responsibility involved in coaching young people where health, safety, welfare and moral standards are paramount. They have priority over the reputation or achievement of the player, parent, coach, or club.

The following standards must be maintained in line with those set out by the Football Association.

- 1 – The rights, dignity and worth of every person must be treated with respect.
- 2 – Each person must be treated equally in the context of the sport.
- 3 – The well being and safety has foremost priority even above performance development.
- 4 – Working relationships with individual players must be based on mutual trust and respect.
- 5 – Do not exert undue influence to obtain personal benefit or reward.
- 6 – Players must be encouraged and guided to accept responsibility for their own behaviour.
- 7 – Ensure that any activity is suitable for the age, maturity, experience and ability of the player.
- 8 – At all times promote the positive aspects of the game, never condone violations of the laws of the game.
- 9 – High standards of behaviour and appearance must be displayed at all times.
- 10 – Inappropriate language must not be tolerated by any coach or player.
- 11 – Ensure that the integrity of the club is upheld at all times.
- 12 - Do not complain to or confront match officials, opposing players, opposing managers, or any spectators with regard to decisions made during the game.

This list is not meant to be exhaustive