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We all have a responsibility to promote high standards of behaviour in the game.

Players tell us they want a referee for every match, yet 7,000 match officials drop out each season because of the abuse and intimidation they receive on and off the pitch. Respect your referee today and you may just get one for every match this season.

Play your part and observe The FA's Respect Code of Conduct for players at all times.

#### **On and off the field, I will:**

- Stick to the rules and celebrate the spirit of the game
- Always show respect to everyone involved in the game
- Never engage in public criticism of the Match Officials and abide by their final decision
- Win or lose with dignity. Shake hands at the end of the game
- Be aware of the potential impact of bad language on others
- Display and promote high standards of behaviour and fair play
- Never engage in abusive, offensive, or insulting language, bullying or intimidating behaviour
- Remember we all make mistakes.

**I understand that if I do not follow the Code, any/all of the following actions may be taken by my club, County FA or The FA.**

I may:

- Be asked to apologise to whoever I have upset
- Receive a warning from the coach
- Receive a written warning from the club committee
- Be required to attend a FA education course
- Be dropped or substituted
- Be suspended from training
- Not be selected for the team
- Be fined
- Be required to serve a suspension
- Be required to leave the Club

In addition:

- The FA/County FA could impose a fine and/or suspension on the club.