



STENHOUSEMUIR F.C.

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION



Stenhousemuir FC Community Foundation Player Code of Conduct

As a player of Stenhousemuir FC, you are an important part of fostering a positive, respectful, and inclusive environment for your teammates, coaches, official, and everyone involved in the club. Whether you're part of our recreational programmes or competitive teams, we ask that you uphold the following Code of Conduct:

1. Supportive and Positive Behaviour

- **Encouragement:** I will support my teammates, celebrate their efforts, and avoid criticism or negative comments about anyone's performance.
- **Respect:** I will treat my teammates, coaches, referees, and opponents with respect always, using positive and encouraging language.
- **Sportsmanship:** I will show good sportsmanship, whether we win or lose. I will respect decisions made by referees and officials, even if I don't agree with them.
- **Effort and Enjoyment:** I will focus on trying my best, improving my skills, and enjoying the game.

2. Commitment to Team and Club Values

- **Attendance and Punctuality:** I will attend all training sessions and games on time and with the right equipment. If I can't make it, I will inform my coaches as soon as possible.
- **Teamwork:** I understand that football is a team sport. I will work with my teammates and listen to my coaches' instructions to help the team succeed.
- **Inclusivity:** I will make sure everyone on my team feels included, regardless of their ability or background. I will help create a welcoming environment for all.

3. Respect for Coaches and Officials

- **Respecting Decisions:** I understand that my coach has the final say on playing time, team tactics, and player roles. I will accept their decisions and trust that they are acting in the team's best interests.
- **Appropriate Feedback:** If I have questions or concerns, I will speak to my coach respectfully and at the appropriate time.

4. Ensuring a Safe and Positive Environment

- **Health and Safety:** I will let my coach know if I get injured during training or a game. I will also encourage my teammates to do the same.
- **Respect for Club Rules:** I will follow all of the club's safety guidelines, including those related to equipment and behaviour at training sessions and matches.



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5. Understanding the Distinct Pathways

- **Recreational Programmes:** I understand that the recreational pathway is designed for enjoyment, participation, and personal growth. I will focus on enjoying the game and improving myself.
- **Competitive Teams Pathway:** I understand that the competitive pathway involves a greater emphasis on skill development, competition, and commitment. I will approach this pathway with a positive mindset and always try my best.

6. Being a Role Model

- **Leading by Example:** I remember that my behaviour on and off the pitch sets an example for others, especially younger players. I will act with integrity, honesty, and respect.
- **Positive Representation:** I understand that when I wear the Stenhousemuir FC badge, I represent the club. I will show respect to everyone involved in the game and always demonstrate good behaviour.

7. Commitment to Club Policies and Consequences

- **Adherence to Club Policies:** I will follow all the rules and policies set out by Stenhousemuir FC Community Foundation and Stenhousemuir FC, including this Code of Conduct.
- **Consequences for Violations:** I understand that if I fail to follow this Code of Conduct, I may face consequences, including warnings, suspensions from games, or other actions taken by the club to maintain a positive environment.

By signing this document, I acknowledge that I have read, understood, and agreed to follow this Code of Conduct, supporting a safe, positive, and respectful environment for all members of the Stenhousemuir FC community.

Player's Name (Printed): _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

