



Drumoghill FC Parent / Guardian Code of Conduct (FAI Club Mark – Audit Compliant)

Drumoghill FC is committed to ensuring that all children participate in football in a **safe, positive, inclusive and enjoyable environment**. Parents and guardians play a key role in supporting the club in meeting its responsibilities under **FAI Club Mark**, **FAI Safeguarding** and **Children First** guidelines.

Parents / Guardians Will:

- Encourage children to play football for enjoyment, skill development and social interaction, not just results.
- Promote fair play, respect and sportsmanship at all times.
- Act as positive role models at all times.

Respect for All Participants

- Respect all players, coaches, volunteers, match officials and opposition members.
- Refrain from verbal abuse, physical intimidation, aggressive behaviour or discrimination.
- Support and applaud good play and effort by both teams.

Coaching and Sideline Behaviour

- Allow coaches to coach and players to play.
- Refrain from giving instructions or criticism from the sideline.
- Remain in designated spectator areas at all times.

Coaches, Officials and Match Officials

- Respect the authority and decisions of coaches, club officials and referees.
- Accept that referees' decisions are final.
- Raise concerns respectfully and in line with club procedures, never during or immediately after games or training.

Safeguarding and Welfare

- Support the club's Safeguarding and Child Welfare Policies and the principles of Children First.
- Place the welfare, safety Behavioral code & rights of the child above all other considerations.
- Report concerns to the Club Children's Officer.

Social Media and Communication

- Use social media responsibly and respectfully.
- Never post abusive, inappropriate or negative content relating to children or the club.
- Respect player privacy and obtain consent before sharing images or videos.

Responsibility and Commitment

- Ensure children arrive on time and are collected promptly.
- Inform coaches of non-attendance in advance where possible.
- Support the club's activities and volunteer ethos where appropriate.

Breaches of the Code

Breaches will be dealt with in line with Drumoghill FC disciplinary procedures and FAI guidelines and may result in warnings, restricted attendance or further action.

Acceptance

By registering a child with Drumoghill FC, parents/guardians agree to abide by this Code of Conduct.