

WATLINGTON YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PARENTS AND SPECTATORS

Parents and Spectators have a great influence on children's enjoyment and success in football. It is however important to reinforce the message to parents and spectators that positive encouragement will contribute to the following

1. Children enjoying football.
2. A sense of personal achievement.
3. Self-esteem.
4. Improving the child's skills and techniques.

A parent's / spectator's expectations, behaviour, comments and attitudes have a significant bearing on a child's attitude towards the following:

1. Other players.
2. Match Officials.
3. Managers.
4. Spectators.

Ensure that parents / spectators within your club are always positive and encouraging towards all of the children including the opponents not just their own. Encourage parents / spectators to:

1. Applaud the opposition as well as your own team.
2. Avoid coaching the child during the game.
3. Not to shout and scream.
4. Respect the referee's decision.
5. Give attention to each of the children involved in football not just the most talented.
6. Give encouragement to everyone to participate in football.

Ensure that parents / spectators within your club agree and adhere to your club's Code of Conduct and Child Protection Policy.