

Player's Code of Conduct

St Brigids GAC Belfast is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the well being of all its members. The club believes that it is important that members, coaches, administrators and parents associated with the club must, at all times, show respect and understanding for the safety and welfare of everybody. Therefore all members are encouraged to be open at all times and share any concerns or complaints that they may have about anything with their respective TEAM LEADER.

Players within the club must:

- Play by the rules.
- Never argue with an official. If you need clarification, have your captain, coach or manager approach the official during a break or after the competition.
- Work equally hard for yourself and your team. Respect fellow team members and create high standards. Your team's performance will benefit – so will you.
- Be modest in victory and gracious in defeat.
- Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays whether they are made by your team or the opposition.
- Show respect to and acknowledge opponents and officials (e.g. shake hands before and after the game and say things like 'good luck', 'thanks for the game', 'thanks ref', 'three cheers for ...'). Listen and obey all coaches, officials and referees if not, this will be seen as unacceptable behaviour.
- Co-operate with your coach, team-mates and opponents. Without them there would be no competition.
- Be on time for training sessions, matches and competitions so as not to disrupt the smooth running of their team.
- Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please parents and coaches.
- Play fair – no verbal abuse of officials, criticising of other players (including vilification) or deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent. Bad language will not be tolerated.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

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I understand and agree to abide by the Code of Conduct. I understand that failure to abide by this Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action by the club committee.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Counter-signed _____
(by Parent/Guardian)