



CODE OF CONDUCT/DISCIPLINE – SENIOR SECTION

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS CODE IS IN ADDITION TO THE JOINT FAW/CLUB CODE OF CONDUCT DOCUMENT AND DOES NOT REPLACE IT

Generally

Players, officials and supporters are expected to behave in an appropriate manner at all times both on and off the pitch on match days, at training, on club premises and when representing the club elsewhere.

The players, officials and supporters accept that the club has the right to issue punishments, sanctions and fines as it considers appropriate in respect of misbehaviour. These may be in addition to any such decisions imposed by the football authorities.

The club's disciplinary decisions will be taken by a sub-committee comprising the Chairman, Secretary and Disciplinary Officer, or in the absence of any of these officers, by a substitute person nominated by the Chairman.

Persons who are the subject of club disciplinary investigation may attend the hearing to state their case.

Discipline on the field of play

The club and the players and officials recognise that in the modern game yellow and red cards are frequently dealt out.

The club accepts that some offences such as late or foul tackles and handball may result in a yellow or red card and a fine. In such circumstances the club will normally pay the fine of the player concerned. If, however, a late or foul tackle is considered to be reckless, dangerous or violent, the club reserves the right to decide that the player shall pay the fine.

The club will not tolerate physical or verbal abuse of officials or spectators, nor temperamentally kicking the ball away by players or club officials. There have been far too many instances in recent years of unacceptable behaviour in this regard, often by repeat offenders. The club intends to clamp down on such behaviour. If a player or official receives a fine for a yellow or red card offence for any of the above offences, he shall pay the fine in full, except in exceptional circumstances at the club's discretion.

Where a player or official has to pay a fine the club expects that it will be paid promptly. If a fine remains unpaid 28 days from the date of the offence the player will not be eligible to play for or represent the club until the fine is paid in full.

The club may take into account financial hardship when it comes to the payment of fines but it is emphasised that this will only happen in very exceptional circumstances.