



## **Tuam Celtic Coaches Code Of Conduct**

Coaches are critical to the establishment of good practices in football. Their attitude to the game directly informs the attitude of the players under their supervision. Coaches must speak and act in a manner consistent with this reality.

As a Coach/Mentor I will:

- Complete Garda Vetting before commencing my role and I will complete the safeguarding 1 course.
- Have or gain a relevant coaching qualification to the age group you are coaching. Tuam Celtic are looking to constantly improve their standards both on and off the pitch for the benefit of the Club, the players and you the coach. We are currently looking to achieve the next stage of the Club Mark process. To achieve this award and maintain it, it is expected that you will have or gain the relevant coaching qualification.
- Make effort to wear Tuam Celtic gear when training the kids and on matchdays
- Be responsible for my own insurance. Tuam Celtic AFC are not liable for any injury sustained during training or matches at any age group or level. The onus is on you as a coach or a parent/guardian (if under 18) to ensure that appropriate personal insurance is in place.

- Have a First Aid Kit at all trainings and matches. The club will provide you with this. If you need the kit to be restocked or need a new one, please get in contact with a member of the committee.
- Read and comply with the Coaches Guidelines Document that will be shared with coaches each year.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of each person and treat each person equally within the context of the sport.
- Not subscribe to the ethos of “win at all costs”.
- Place the health, well-being and safety of each player above all other considerations.
- Abide by the rules of the game.
- Strive to develop an appropriate working relationship with each player based on mutual respect.
- Have special regard for the code when working with young players in the game.
- Not exert undue influence to obtain personal benefit or reward.
- Guide players to accept responsibility for their own behaviour and performance.
- Ensure that the activities and strategies they direct, and advocate are appropriate for the age, maturity, experience and ability of players involved.
- Clarify with the players (and where the players are under the age of 18, their parents) exactly what is expected of them and also what they are entitled to expect from the Mentor.
- Co-operate with specialists within the game e.g. other coaches, officials, sport scientists, doctors, and physiotherapists, etc. in the best interest of players.
- Be conversant with the laws of the game and the rules of any competition in which a team under his/her stewardship is participating.
- Encourage players to adhere to the club’s code.
- Observe the highest standards of integrity and fair dealing.

- Promote a positive approach to the game e.g. fair play, honest endeavour and genuine teamwork.
- Not encourage or condone violations of the laws of the game, behaviour contrary to the spirit of the game, or the use of questionable strategies or tactics.
- Not encourage or condone the use of prohibited substances.
- Read the Clubs Health and Safety policies and adhere to any relevant information (available at the clubhouse or on our website).
- Consistently display high standards of behaviour and conduct.
- Use or tolerate the use of inappropriate language.
- Demonstrate due respect towards match officials.
- Accept the decisions of the match officials.
- Be on time and organised.
- Put bibs on all kids at each training session.
- Plan each training session, run the training session to my best ability, ask the players for their feedback, assess the session and evaluate how it went.
- Keep an attendance record and take it into strong consideration when choosing your starting 11 on matchdays.
- Clean the dressing rooms after every use. Suggest a rota for the players to take turns cleaning.
- Ask in your parent's group for more parents to get involved with coaching

I understand that if I do not follow the Code of conduct, action may be taken by my club, league or national association.

Coach/Club Official: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_