## Stockton Town Football Club Junior / Youth Players Code of Conduct

Players are the most important people in the sport of football. Playing for enjoyment as a member of a team is the most fundamental part of the game. Whilst winning is the objective, it is not to be achieved at any cost – Fair Play and respect for all others in the game is essential.

## When playing football, I will:

- Always play to the best of my ability and for the benefit of my team.
- Play fairly I won't cheat, dive, complain or waste time.
- Respect my team-mates, the other team, the referee or my coach/manager.
- Play by the rules, as directed by the referee.
- Be gracious in victory and defeat I will shake hands with the other team and referee before or at the end of the game.
- Listen and respond to what my coach/team Manager tells me.
- Understand that a coach has to do what is best for the team and not one individual player.
- Talk to someone I trust or the Club Welfare Officer if I'm unhappy about anything at my Club.

I understand that if I do not follow the Code, any/all of the following actions may be taken by my club, County FA or The FA:

## I may:

- Be required to apologise to my team-mates, the other team, referee or team manager.
- Receive a formal warning from the coach or the club committee.
- Be dropped or substituted.
- Be suspended from training.
- Be required to leave the club.

## In addition:

- My club may make my parent or carer aware of any infringements of the Code of Conduct.
- The FA/County FA could impose a fine and suspension against my club.

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