

JOHNSTONE AND DISTRICT FOOTBALL LEAGUE Parents Charter 2010/2011

Our League has a fine reputation for encouraging sportsmanship and fair play. We would like this to continue and for good behaviour to apply to players, officials and spectators. Accordingly, all parents are expected to agree and sign up to the following:

PARENTS/ FAMILY /SPECTATORS SHOULD ACT IN A DIGNIFIED MANNER, AND WITH THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF INTEGRITY, AND ENSURE THAT THE REPUTATION OF THE GAME AND THE CLUB REMAIN HIGH.

NO METAL OR METAL BLADED STUDS WILL BE ALLOWED FOR ANY PLAYER, AND ALL PLAYERS MUST WEAR SHIN GUARDS. DURING THE GAME OF FOOTBALL.

ENCOURAGE THE TEAM AND PLAYER'S DEVELOPMENT THROUGH SELF-IMPROVEMENT AND FAIR PLAY. EDUCATE YOUR CHILD ALWAYS TO PLAY WITHIN THE LAWS OF THE GAME.

REMEMBER THAT THE PLAYERS ARE PLAYING FOR THEIR OWN ENJOYMENT AND NOT FOR THE AMBITIONS OR EGOS OF PARENTS. PARENTS SHOULD FOSTER ENTHUSIASTIC PARTICIPATION. DO NOT FORCE AN UNWILLING CHILD INTO SPORT.

RESPECT THE FACILITIES AND PITCH EQUIPMENT AT BOTH HOME AND AWAY GROUNDS.

REFRAIN FROM USING, OR ENCOURAGING THE USE OF COMMENTS THAT CAN IN ANY WAY BE REGARDED AS RACIST, SEXIST OR ANY OTHER FORM OF DISCRIMINATION.

REMEMBER THAT THE REFEREE'S DECISION IS **FINAL**. EMPHASISE RESPECT FOR REFEREES AND THEIR ASSISTANTS BY NOT PUBLICLY QUESTIONING THEIR HONESTY OR DECISION-MAKING.

REPORT PROBLEMS OR CONCERNS REGARDING IMPROPER RUNNING OF A TEAM TO THE LEAGUE SECRETARY.

DO NOT, VERBALLY ABUSE, HUMILIATE OR INTIMIDATE PLAYERS, MANAGERS, REFEREES, OTHER MATCH OFFICIALS OR SPECTATORS.

DO NOT USE, OR ENCOURAGE THE USE OF BAD LANGUAGE, FOUL PLAY OR CHEATING.

DO NOT ENTER THE FIELD OF PLAY BEFORE, DURING OR AFTER THE MATCH, OR MAKE ANY DEROGATORY COMMENTS TO THE PLAYERS, MANAGERS, OFFICIALS OR OTHER PARENTS OR SPECTATORS AT ANYTIME, PARENTS ARE EXPECTED TO STAND BACK FROM THE TOUCHLINE TO ALLOW THE COACHES TO BE ABLE TO VIEW THE GAME.

REMEMBER - GOOD SPORTING HABITS FOSTERED NOW WILL LAST A LIFETIME.

ACKNOWLEDGE THE VALUE AND IMPORTANCE OF COACHES, REFEREES AND OTHER OFFICIALS AT GAMES. THEY HAVE GIVEN FREELY OF THEIR TIME TO PROVIDE SPORTING OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUR CHILDREN

ENCOURAGE CHILDREN WHO HAVE MADE A MISTAKE DURING A GAME - **NEVER CRITICISE OR RIDICULE THEM.**

APPLAUD GOOD PLAY BY BOTH SIDES - CHILDREN LEARN BEST BY EXAMPLE.

TEACH CHILDREN THAT HONEST EFFORT IS AS IMPORTANT AS VICTORY, SO THAT DEFEAT CAN BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT UNDUE DISAPPOINTMENT. REALISE THAT IT IS IMPORTANT THAT PLAYERS EXPERIENCE THE EMOTIONS OF BOTH VICTORY AND DEFEAT.

SHOULD GAMES HAVE TO BE POSTPONED OR CANCELLED, FOR WHATEVER REASON, REMEMBER THAT IT IS OUT OF CONSIDERATION FOR YOUR CHILD'S SAFETY

PARENTS SHOULD BE AWARE THAT FAILURE TO ACCEPT OR ABIDE BY THIS CHARTER COULD RESULT IN BEING ASKED NOT TO ATTEND MATCHES AND ULTIMATELY AFFECT YOUR CHILD'S SELECTION

PARENTS MUST REPORT ALL INCIDENTS OF INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOUR OF COACHES, TO THE LEAGUE SECRETARY ANY ISSUES OR CONCERNS RELATING TO OPPOSITION TEAMS MUST BE REPORTED BY CLUB OFFICIALS TO THE LEAGUE **PLEASE TAKE A NOTE OF THIS NUMBER – .07878235417**

ALL PARENTS WHO ATTEND FERGUSLIE PARK ASTRO GRASS MUST NOT GO ON ASTRO GRASS DURING FOOTBALL MATCHES, THUS ALLOWING THE KIDS TO PLAY THEIR GAME WITHOUT INTERFERENCE.

Together we can assist individuals to develop their skills and abilities and reach their full potential in a competitive but friendly and pleasant atmosphere and controlled environment.

Team Name _____ Age Group Year ()

Players name _____ D.O.B. _____

PARENT/LEGAL GAURDIAN SIGNATURE _____