

### **GATESHEAD FOOTBALL CLUB**

# **Spectators and Parents/Carers Code of Conduct**

**GATESHEAD FOOTBALL CLUB** share and encourage the FA's Code of Respect, we believe that we all have the responsibility to promote the highest standards of behaviour. Spectators and Parents/Carers have a significant role to play in this. All spectators, parents, and carers should follow this code of conduct and treat all team, players, and match officials with Respect.

#### **All Spectators and Parents/Carers**

#### I will:

- Have fun; it is what we are all here for!
- Celebrate effort and good play from both sides.
- Always respect the Referee and Coaches and encourage players to do the same.
- Stay behind the touchline and within the Designated Spectators' Area (where provided).
- When players make mistakes, offer them encouragement to try again next time.
- Never bring prohibited items into a football match or stadia (Pyrotechnics, weapons, drugs etc).
- Never engage in, or tolerate offensive, insulting, or abusive language or behaviour.
- I will make myself familiar with safeguarding practices and review FA guidance on **physical contact** (5.6) & **Acceptable Behaviours When Working with Young People** (5.7) documents on the safeguarding section of **Englandfootball.com**

#### I understand that if I do not follow the code, I may be:

- Issued with a verbal warning or asked to leave.
- Required to meet with the club committee. League or CFA Designated Safeguarding Officer.
- Obliged to undertake a FA education course.
- Requested not to attend future games, be suspended, or have my membership removed.
- Required to leave the club along with any dependants and/or issues with a fine.

## **Club Welfare Officer / Safeguarding Officer details:**

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