

FIFA principles of Fair Play

1. Play to Win

Winning is the object of playing any game. Never set out to lose. If you do not play to win, you are cheating your opponents, deceiving those who are watching, and also fooling yourself. Never give up against stronger opponents but never relent against weaker ones. It is an insult to any opponent to play at less than full strength. Play to win, until the final whistle.

2. Play Fair

Winning is without value if victory has been achieved unfairly or dishonestly. Cheating is easy, but brings no pleasure. Playing fair requires courage and character. It is also more satisfying. Fair Play always has its reward, even when the game is lost. Playing fair earns you respect, while cheats are detested. Remember: It's only a game. And games are pointless unless played fairly.

3. Observe the Laws of the Game

All games need rules to guide them. Without rules, there would be chaos. The rules of football are simple and easy to learn. Make an effort to learn them, so you understand the game better. This makes you a better player. It is just as important to understand the spirit of the rules. They are designed to make the game fun to play and fun to watch. By sticking to the rules, you will enjoy the game more.

4. Respect Opponents, Team-mates, Referees, Officials and Spectators

Fair Play means respect. Without opponents there can be no game. They have the same rights as you have, including the right to be respected. Your team-mates are your colleagues. You form a team in which all members are equal. Referees are there to maintain discipline and Fair Play. Always accept their decisions without arguing, and help them to help you enjoy the game more. Officials are also part of the game and must be respected accordingly. Spectators give the game atmosphere. They want to see the game played fairly, but must also behave fairly themselves.

5. Accept Defeat with Dignity

Nobody wins all the time. You win some, you lose some. Learn to lose graciously. Don't seek excuses for defeat. Genuine reasons will always be self-evident. Congratulate the winners with good grace. Don't blame the referee or anyone else. Determine to do better next time. Good losers earn more respect than bad winners.

6. Promote the Interests of Football

Football is the world's greatest game. But it always needs your help to keep it as Number One. Think of football's interests before your own. Think how your actions may affect the image of the game. Talk about the positive things in the game. Encourage other people to watch it or play it fairly. Help others to have as much fun from football as you do. Be an ambassador for the game.

7. Reject Corruption, Drugs, Racism, Violence and other Dangers to our Sport Football's huge popularity sometimes makes it vulnerable to negative outside interests. Watch out for attempts to tempt you into cheating or using drugs. Drugs have no place in football or any other sport or in our society. Say No to Drugs. Help Kick Racism out of Football. Treat all players and everyone else equally, regardless of their skin colour or origin. Show that football does not want violence, even from your own fans. Football is Sport, and Sport is Peace.

8. Help Others to Resist Corrupting Pressures

You may hear that team-mates or other people you know are being tempted to cheat in some way. They need your help. Don't hesitate to stand by them. Give them the strength to resist. Remind them of their commitment to their team-mates and to the game itself. Form a block of solidarity, like a solid defence on the field of play.

9. Denounce Those who Attempt to Discredit our Sport

Don't be ashamed to show up anybody who you are sure is trying to make others cheat. It's better to expose them and have them removed before they can do any damage. It often takes more courage to denounce what is wrong, than to go along with a dishonest plan. Your honesty will be admired but your complicity will not. Don't just say No. Denounce the culprits who are trying to spoil our sport before they can persuade somebody else to say Yes.

10. Honour Those who Defend Football's Good Reputation

The good name of football has survived because the vast majority of people who love the game are honest and fair. Sometimes somebody does something exceptional that deserves our special recognition. They should be honoured and their fine example made public. This encourages others to act in the same way. Help promote football's image by publicising its good deeds.



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HOWTH CELTIC AFC

POLICY AND GUIDANCE ON THE USE OF PHOTOGRAPHIC EQUIPMENT

Managers at all times must know who is taking photographs/video footage.

Photographs/video footage is forbidding in changing rooms or shower areas.

Any person who has a complaint or concern can report to the club children's officer.

POLICY ON WEB SITES

The club will:

Avoid using children's names (first name or surname) in photographs.

If the child is named, avoid using his or her photograph.

If the photograph is used, avoid naming the child.

Use a parental consent form to request and record parental permission to use an image of their person.

Ask for children's permission to use their image.

Only use images of children in suitable dress to reduce the risk of inappropriate use.

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Club Colours: Black & White Stripes

Club Grounds: Celtic Park

Grace O'Malley Park



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HOWTH CELTIC

MISSION STATEMENT

The main object of the Club is to foster the development of association football for Adults and Juveniles on the Howth Peninsula and elsewhere. The Club shall endeavour to maintain the highest standards of excellence and discipline on and off the field of play and to play the game in a sporting manner. The Club shall fulfil these aims by formation of teams and the entry of these teams into competitive Leagues, engaging of a Coach or Coaches, the appointment of Team Managers, the development of international links with other Football Clubs, and by the organisation of any other activities considered consistent with the Clubs stated objectives. The Club shall also use its best endeavours to own and develop its own playing fields and premises.

The work of Howth Celtic AFC is based on the principle that Children's and young peoples experience of soccer should be guided by what is best for the child or young person. The stages of development and the ability of the child or young person should guide the type of activity provided by the Club. Coaches and Managers need to have a basic understanding of the needs of Children and young people including physical, emotional and personnel.

Adults interacting with children and young people within Howth Celtic AFC should do so with integrity and respect for the child or young person. All adult actions within Howth Celtic AFC should be guided by what is best for the child or young person in the context of quality.

All children and young people within Howth Celtic AFC should be treated in an equitable and fair manner regardless of age, sex, religion, social and ethnic background or political persuasion. To facilitate all playing abilities Howth Celtic AFC will not hold trials. Howth Celtic AFC will endeavour to have all Managers/Coaches of Schoolboy/Girl team's complete FAI coaching courses.