**DARLINGTON YOUNG BULLS FC**

**CODE OF CONDUCT 2023/2024**

**PLAYERS**

Players are the most important part of the Club, they are playing for their teams and playing for the team to win but, not winning at any cost; fair play and respect for everyone else in the game is fundamentally important. We expect each and every player in the club to subscribe to this agreement*.*

My responsibilities towards the game, I will:

* Make every effort to develop my own sporting abilities, technique and stamina.
* Give maximum effort and strive for the best possible performance during a game.
* Set a positive example for others, particularly younger players and supporters.
* Avoid all forms of gamesmanship and time wasting.
* Respect property from my team and the away team.
* Arrive at training on time wearing appropriate clothing and shin pads, on all occasions.
* Never use foul or abusive language towards another child, club member, team official or referee.
* Never engage in physical violence or threatening behaviour.

My responsibilities towards the Laws of the Game, I will always:

* Abide by the Laws and rules of the game.
* Accept success, failure, victory and defeat all equally.
* Resist any temptation to take banned substances or use banned techniques.

My responsibilities towards opponents, I will always:

* Treat opponents with respect irrespective of the result of the game or circumstances.
* Safeguard the physical fitness of opponents, avoiding violence and foul play and help those that are injured.

 My responsibilities towards Match & Team Officials, I will always:

* Show respect towards opposition Team Officials.
* Accept the decision of Match Officials without protest.
* Show respect towards Match Officials under all circumstances.
* Follow instructions given to me by my Manager or Coach.
* Listen and respect when the Manager or Coach is talking.

I understand if I do not follow the rules I may be subject to the club’s discipline procedure and could be asked to leave the club if my actions break the code of conduct.

***In joining the club and signing below, this agreement is confirmed and if any points are broken the club committee with the guidance of your team manager can suspend you from playing.***

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| Player Name:  | Team:  |
| Player Signature:  | Date:  |