



Hednesford AFC - Player Code of Conduct

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At Hednesford AFC, we want every player to grow as a footballer and as a person. This code sets out the standards we expect from all our players, from the first kick of a ball in training to representing the badge on matchday.

By joining the club and attending your first session, you agree to follow this Code of Conduct.

As a Hednesford AFC player, I will:

- Always play to the best of my ability and put the team first.
- Respect my teammates, opponents, referees, coaches, and volunteers.
- Be honest, fair, and play by the rules no cheating, diving, or time wasting.
- Accept the decisions of the referee, even when I dont agree.
- Shake hands with the opposition and referee at the end of every game.
- Listen carefully to my coach and always try to learn and improve.
- Understand that the coach has to make decisions for the team, not just for one player.
- Arrive on time for training and matches, wearing the correct Hednesford AFC kit.
- Encourage others and support my teammates even when things get tough.
- Be proud to represent Hednesford AFC, both on the pitch and off it.
- Speak to my coach or the club welfare officer if something is bothering me.

I will not:

- Use aggressive, threatening, or abusive behaviour at any time.
- Swear, argue, or speak negatively to teammates, officials, or opponents.
- Disrespect or ignore the referee or coaching staff.
- Post anything online that could bring the club or anyone involved into disrepute.

If I break this Code, the club may:

- Ask me to apologise to teammates, coaches, referees, or opponents.
- Give me a verbal or written warning.
- Drop me from the team or substitute me during matches.
- Suspend me from training or matches.
- In serious or repeated cases, ask me to leave the club.

In addition:

- My parents or carers may be contacted about any incidents.
- The County FA or The FA may take further action, including fines or suspensions.

At Hednesford AFC, we are proud of the environment we're building a place where players can enjoy their football, develop their confidence, and feel part of something special.

Lets wear the badge the right way.

Lets set the standard.

Lets do it together.