



# Anti Bullying and Respectful Behaviour MARCH

# Why Respect and Anti Bullying Matters

- 1 Bullying has no place in the sport or our community.
- 2 Football is about teamwork, skill, and respect.
- 3 Every player deserves to feel valued and safe.



# What is Bullying?

## Physical

Hitting, kicking, or pushing



## Verbal

Insults, name-calling, and belittling



## Cyber

Using digital platforms to harm others



## Social

Exclusion or spreading rumors



## Emotional Harm

Anxiety, depression, and low self esteem.

## Long term Consequences

Lasting effects on players' mental health and the club's culture.



## Physical Harm

Injuries and physical distress.

## Impact on Teamwork

A toxic atmosphere can reduce team performance and morale.



# Effects of Bullying

# Respectful Behaviour in Football



## Respect Coaches

Trust in their guidance and decisions



## Respect Teammates

Support each other and celebrate success together



## Respect Officials

Understand their role in keeping the game fair



## Respect Opponents

Play fair, be gracious in both victory and defeat

## Lead by Example

Coaches, players and volunteers set the tone

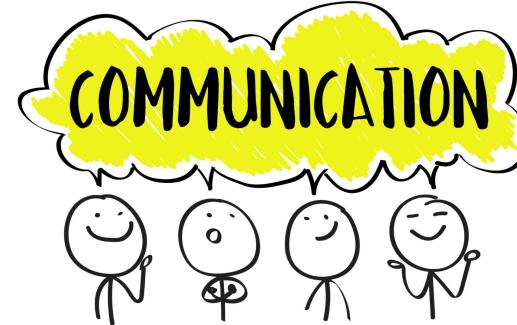


## Support Each Other

Be inclusive and welcoming



## How to Prevent Bullying



## Open Communication

Encourage players to speak out if they feel bullied or witness bullying



## Zero Tolerance Policy

Any form of bullying will be addressed immediately





## BEHAVIOUR AND DISCIPLINARY POLICY

Canterbury Lions Football Club's (CLFC) Policy on Behaviour and Discipline outlines the expectations and standards for members, players, officials, parents and supporters associated with the club.

### EXEMPLARY SPORTSMANSHIP

- All individuals associated with CLFC must display exemplary sportsmanship and behaviour on and off the field.

### RESPECT TOWARDS MATCH OFFICIALS

- Members, players, team officials, parents and supporters must show respect towards match officials, whether officially appointed, appointed by the club or standing in for an official.
- Argumentative behaviour and inappropriate language towards officials will not be tolerated.

### COMPLIANCE WITH REQUESTS

- Individuals must abide by the requests of CLFC Committee Members, Football Canterbury officials, referees, team coaches and managers.
- Always display polite conduct towards these officials.

### REFEREE AUTHORITY

- Referees are authorised to penalise players for inappropriate play or behaviour on the field.
- Referees may also request team officials or supporters to leave the field in the case of inappropriate behaviour.
- Referees' penalties and requests should be complied with gracefully and without argument.

### DISPUTES AND DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

- Players may be cited to appear before the CLFC Disputes and Disciplinary Committee (DDC)
- Players must make reasonable efforts to attend the hearing or inform the CLFC Administration of their inability within the required application period.
- The DDC may impose suspensions or other penalties as deemed appropriate.
- Failure to appear before the CLFC DDC may result in a decision and sanctions imposed in your absence.

### CLUB COMMITTEE AUTHORITY

- CLFC Committee reserves the right to impose suspensions independently or in addition to DDC suspensions.
- The Committee may require participation in "Club Service" activities as a form of disciplinary action.
- In extreme cases where player behaviour is considered to have brought the club into disrepute, the Club Committee can impose immediate de-registration from the club on a temporary or permanent basis.
- Player fees will not be refunded in such circumstances.

# CLFC Behaviour and Disciplinary Policy

All members to display exemplary sportsmanship and behaviour.

All members are to be respectful towards Match Officials.

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Respect Referees authority.

Respect Club Committee authority.

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