



## **Belfast Swifts FC Code of Conduct for Parent/Guardians**

### **Parent/guardians are expected to:**

- Positively reinforce their child and show an interest in their football, support their child's involvement, and help them to enjoy football
- Not place their child under pressure or push them into activities they do not want to do
- Complete and return the registration/consent form pertaining to their child's participation
- Deliver and collect the child to/from coaching sessions/matches punctually
- Ensure their child is properly and adequately attired for the weather conditions
- Ensure that proper footwear and protective equipment are worn at ALL times. Any child/young person not in possession of the fundamental requirements should not be permitted to participate
- Detail any health concerns pertaining to the child on the consent form, breathing or chest conditions in particular. Any changes in the state of the child's health should be reported to the coach prior to coaching sessions
- Inform the coach if their child has been ill or hurt recently
- Inform the coach prior to departure from the field of play if the child is to be collected early from a coaching session
- Encourage their child to play by the rules and teach them that they can only do their best. Help your child to recognise good performance, not just results
- Acknowledge the importance and role of the club/centre coaches who provide their free time to ensure children's participation in the club/centre
- Encourage their child to play by the rules and teach them that they can only do their best
- Show appreciation and support the coach
- Be realistic
- Ensure their child's hygiene and nutritional needs are met
- Accept the referee/game supervisor's judgement



- Behave responsibly on the sidelines; do not embarrass your child
- Encourage children to show respect
- Promote your child's participation in playing football for fun

**Parents/guardians have the right to:**

- Know their child is safe
- Be informed of problems or concerns relating to their children
- Be informed if their child is injured
- Have their consent sought for issues such as trips
- Contribute to decisions within the club/centre
- Speak to the coach/co-ordinator and voice their concerns about the standard of coaching

Any misdemeanours and breaches of this code of conduct will be dealt with immediately by the coach. Persistent concerns or breaches will result in the parent/guardian being asked not to attend the club if their attendance is detrimental to the child's/young person's welfare. The ultimate action should a parent/guardian continue to breach the code of behaviour may mean the coach regrettably asking the child/young person to leave the club/centre.

I have been made aware of the parents'/guardians' Code of Conduct and agree to adhere to it.