

Section 3 – Code of Conduct - Players

1. Play by the rules.
2. Accept the referee's decision and let your coach ask any relevant questions after the game
Control your temper.
3. Verbal abuse of officials, coaches or other players, are not acceptable or permitted behaviours in soccer or in our Club.
4. Always do your best and be committed to the game, your team and your Club.
5. Be a good sport; applaud all good play whether by your team or the opposition.
6. Respect your team mate/opponent.
7. Treat all players as you would like to be treated. Do not 'bully' or take unfair advantage of another player.
8. Cooperate with your coach, team-mates and opponents. Without them there would be no game.
9. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
10. Winning and losing is part of the game. Shake hands with your opponents and thank the referee after the game.
11. Swearing, cursing or use of bad language is not acceptable.
12. Remember you are representing your Club
13. The aims of the game are to have fun, improve your skills and feel good.
14. Participate for your own enjoyment.

Section 4 – Code of Conduct – Parents / Guardians

1. Encourage children to participate, do not force them.
2. Focus on the child's efforts and performance rather than winning or losing.
3. Encourage children always to play according to the rules and to settle disagreements without resorting to hostility or violence.
4. Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game.
5. Remember that children learn best by example. Appreciate good performances and skilful plays by all participants.
6. Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from all soccer activities.
7. Respect the decisions of officials and teach children to do likewise.
8. Show appreciation for volunteer coaches, officials and administrators. Without them, your child could not participate.
9. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

Section 2 – Coaching Guidelines

1. Coach Coordinators will be appointed by the Club Executive Committee
2. The Club may appoint a Director of Coaching to oversee strategic decisions regarding player and coach development
3. Coach Coordinators and Assistants are encouraged to attend FAI Soccer Coach Training appropriate to the Teams Age (Kick Start 1, Kick Start 2, Youth Cert etc.)
4. Coach Coordinators and Assistants are required to sign a voluntary disclosure form.
5. Coach Coordinators are ultimately responsible for the behaviour of players, assistants, parents and spectators and as such are required to report any incidents to the Chairperson within 24 hours of occurrence.
6. Coach Coordinators must report within 24 hours to the Club Chairperson any instances of abuse or discrimination towards players / officials / coaches / parents or spectators
7. Each competitive team should ideally have 1 Coaching Coordinator and a minimum of 2 Assistant Coaches.
8. Coach Coordinators have the final decision on squad selection
9. Any formal written communications to players should be vetted by Club secretary prior to sending
10. Coach Coordinators should set up a texting list of their players (using free webtexts if possible) to communicate team information
11. Club Secretary will contact coach coordinators to confirm weekly fixture lists.
12. Club Secretary will provide Coordinators with a copy of current Galway and District League Rule book and Code of Ethics manual
13. Coach Coordinators should contact the Club Secretary immediately if fixtures need to be rescheduled. A minimum of 10 days notice is required
14. Coaches are expected to be accommodating as far as reasonably practicable to other teams that request match fixture rescheduling, all communications regarding same will be carried out by Club Secretaries. Any communication from opposing team managers should be referred back to their Club Secretary
15. Home league / Cup matches will be played in Oranmore for 11 a side teams
16. Warm Ups should take place in the Cages where available.
17. Home League / Cup matches for non competitive age groups (7 or 9 a side) will be played in Maree

18. Friendly / challenge matches with Galway Clubs must be arranged through the Club Secretary and require Galway FA Approval
19. Friendly Matches are to be played in Maree, Coach Coordinators are responsible for ensuring pitch is lined, nets up and corner flags out
20. Junior teams cannot play or train on Maree New pitches
21. Oranmore pitches are for matches only – not for training
22. Coach Coordinators are provided with Kits, Balls, Bibs Cones, First Aid Kit, Water Bottles etc
23. On matchdays all players must wear full Maree Oranmore kit, socks, togs and jersey to avoid a €100 fine
24. Secretary will notify Coach Coordinators of important dates eg Affiliation Dates, Transfer windows
25. For age groups that are specified as Juvenile Squads (Up to and including U11) Coaches should attempt to give all players in the squad an equal amount of soccer match time.
26. For Competitive age groups (U12 and upwards), individual playing times are at the discretion of the coach coordinator. In accordance with Galway FA rules the Club is required to field the strongest and most competitive team.
27. Coaches must not attempt to induce players from other Clubs to join our Club. Maree Oranmore FC is a community based club with a large catchment area and therefore has self sufficient supply of local players.
28. Competitive Squad Teams shall be picked on the basis of available players at that age group. Players from the age group below are not permitted to be picked except in the case of squad depletion, injury or in the case that a player has consistently played up a year based on genuine ability for the previous season.
29. No more than 2 teams per age group will be permitted to enter the Galway & District League except in exceptional circumstances.
30. First Aid Kits must be brought to all Training sessions and matches.
31. Coach Coordinators will be issued with Training Plans suitable for their age group
32. Coach Coordinators will be issued with Attendance sheets of registered players and should keep a record of all attendances including subs received at each training session. It is recommended that a Coaches Assistant / Parent or Responsible Player carries out this function.
33. The Treasurer will arrange collection of subs on a regular basis
34. The club reserves the right to cancel training or double up sessions for age groups that do not cover costs for Astro or cages use
35. Coaches should arrive at least 10 minutes before Training sessions begins to set up.
36. Coaches must notify the Club Secretary in advance if a training session is to be cancelled
37. Coaches or an appointed person are required to remain until all players have been collected by Parents / Guardians in accordance with the FAI Child Welfare Policy
38. For Home matches and the Clubs Invitational Tournament, Coach Coordinators are responsible for ensuring that goals / nets / corner flags etc are in place and put away after the Match / Tournament.
39. Coach Coordinators and assistants will be issued with club jackets and whistles
40. The Club expects each team to organise laundry of club jerseys on a rota basis to avoid laundry bills
41. All Individual Player Fines incurred by the Club are required to be reimbursed to the Club by the Player involved.
42. Should any Player / Coach or Officer sustain an injury relating to a planned physical activity at Club training or matches which may require physio or medical treatment, the club will determine in consultation with the injured person / parent or guardian how the costs of physio or medical treatment will be covered. In all cases the club will assist the injured person to try and cover all the costs of their treatment.