



# MUCKLAGH SCHOOLBOYS/GIRLS FOOTBALL CLUB



## Children in Mucklagh Schoolboys/girls F.C. are entitled to:

- \* Be safe
- \* Be treated with dignity, sensitivity and respect
- \* Participate in soccer on an equal basis, appropriate to their ability and stage of development.
- \* Be happy, have fun and enjoy soccer
- \* Make a complaint in an appropriate way and have it dealt with through a proper and effective complaints procedure
- \* Be afforded appropriate confidentiality
- \* Be listened to and to be believed
- \* Have a voice in the club

Children should also be encouraged to realise that they also have responsibilities to treat other children, fellow players, coaches and volunteers with the same degree of fairness and respect.

## In this regard children in Mucklagh Schoolboys/girls F.C. should undertake to:

- \* play fairly, do their best and have fun
- \* be on their best behaviour at all times
- \* abide by all club rules
- \* make high standards of Fair Play the standard others want to follow
- \* respect opponents, they are not the enemy, they are partners in a sporting event
- \* shake hands before and after the match, whoever wins
- \* give opponents a hand if they are injured, put the ball out of play so they can get attention
- \* accept apologies from opponents when they are offered
- \* respect fellow team members and support them both when they do well and when things go wrong
- \* treat players from minority groups with the same respect you show other people
- \* be modest in victory and be gracious in defeat- *"Be A Sport"*
- \* Approach the club Children's Officer with any questions or concerns they might have. Coaches and parents should encourage children to speak out and support them in doing so.

## Children in Mucklagh Schoolboys/girls F.C. should not:

- \* cheat
- \* use abusive language, or argue with, the referee, officials, team mates or opponents use violence, use physical contact only when it is allowed within the rules
- \* bully
- \* tell lies about adults or other children
- \* spread rumours
- \* take banned substances to improve performance
- \* keep secrets about any person who may have caused them harm
- \* behave in any manner that may bring the name of Mucklagh Schoolboys/girls F.C. into disrepute



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## **Child Welfare:**

We as a club are in full compliance with the requirements set out by our Governing Body – the FAI with regard to Child Welfare. All coaches and parents involved on a regular basis will/have received Garda Clearance letters also all persons involved with our teams must complete a Code of Ethics course. This course is not optional it is a requirement.

Our designated Child Welfare Officer – Jennifer Gleeson can be contacted by parents or the child themselves if there is a situation that requires her attention. This includes issues of bullying by player/s or by coaches, a situation that causes trauma or stress. All issues will be dealt with in confidence. Also our Chairman is ultimately the person responsible for all issues Brendan can be contacted on 0879804357. All these details are available on our website [www.mucklachsoccer.com](http://www.mucklachsoccer.com).

## **Illness and Injury:**

In the event of illness or injury, I/we give permission for medical treatment to be administered where considered necessary by a nominated first aider, or by suitably qualified medical practitioners. If I/we cannot be contacted and my child needs emergency hospital treatment, I/we authorise a qualified medical practitioner to provide emergency treatment or medication.

## **Eyewear:**

For health and safety reasons it is compulsory that players wear safety glasses or contact lenses while playing matches and training. We as a club have to take all reasonable care to avoid injury to our players. Match Referee's can often refuse to play players not wearing appropriate eyewear.

## **Insurance:**

We are only required to have Public Liability Insurance.

We do however cover A&E expenses if your child is injured while training or playing for our club.

## **GDPR:**

I am consenting to all data submitted to Mucklagh Soccer Club, at time of registration, be held as per the club Data Protection Policy. GDPR Policies are available for viewing at [www.mucklachsoccer.com](http://www.mucklachsoccer.com)