



# AMMANFORD AFC

## RESPECT & FAIR PLAY

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Ammanford AFC follow the FAW Fair Play Conduct outlined below:

## **Aim**

The aim of the FAW Fair Play Code is to encourage good behaviour and raise awareness of the 'Fair Play' message.

The FAW Fair Play Code is to inspire players, clubs and supporters to take an active role in promoting this message for the benefit of football at every level in Wales, as we all have a collective responsibility for the image of the game.

## **The Code**

### **Play Fair**

There is no value to victory if it has been achieved unfairly or dishonestly. Playing fair is more satisfying and rewarding. Even when a game is lost, playing fair earns respect while dishonesty only brings shame.

### **Play to Win, Accept Defeat with Dignity**

Winning is the object of any game. Never set out to lose but remember that nobody wins all the time and it is important to lose graciously. Do not seek excuses for defeat as reasons will always be self-evident. The winners should always be congratulated with good grace. No blame should be directed at the referee or anyone else and there should always be a determination to do better next time. Good losers always earn more respect than bad winners.

### **Observe the Laws of the Game**

The rules of football are simple and easy to learn. In learning the rules a greater understanding of the game will be gained. Through a better understanding of the game, players, clubs and supporters will have a greater respect for the referee's decisions. It is equally important to understand the spirit of the rules. They are designed to make the game fun to play and fun to watch. By following the rules, the game will be more enjoyable for all.

### **Respect Opponents, Team-mates, Referees, Officials and Spectators**

Respect is part of the game and is fundamental to the FAW Fair Play Code. Without opponents there can be no game. Everyone has the same rights, including the right to be respected. In a team all members are equal. Referees are there to maintain discipline and Fair Play. Always accept their decisions without arguing and help them to enable all participants to have a more enjoyable game. Officials are also part of the game and must be respected accordingly. Spectators provide a game with atmosphere. They want to see the game played fairly but they too must behave fairly and with respect themselves.

## **Promote the Interests of Football**

Football is the world's greatest game. But it always needs everybody's help to maintain its greatness. Think of football's interests before your own. Think how your actions may affect the image of the game in Wales. Talk about the positive aspects of the game. Encourage other people to watch and play fairly. Help others to have as much fun from football as you do. Be an ambassador for the game in Wales.

## **Honour Those Who Defend Football's Good Reputation**

The good name of football has survived because the vast majority of people who love the game are honest and fair. Sometimes somebody does something exceptional that deserves the recognition of the FAW. They should be honoured and their fine example publicised. This encourages others to act in the same way. Between the FAW and yourselves we can help to promote football's image by publicising its good deeds.

## **Reject Negative Outside Interests**

Football's popularity sometimes makes it vulnerable to negative outside interests. Drugs have no place in football, in any other sport or in society as a whole. Say no to drugs. Help to kick racism and bigotry out of football. Treat everyone involved in the same with equal respect, regardless of their religion, race, sex or national origin. Show zero tolerance for gambling on games in which you participate. It negatively affects your ability to perform and creates the appearance of a conflict of interests. Show that football does not want violence, even from your own fans. Football is sport, and sport should be played peacefully in a safe environment.

## **Football Community**

Football has an incredible power, which can be used to make your community a better place in which everyone can live. Use this powerful platform to promote peace, equality, health and education for everyone. Make the game better by taking it into your community