



An Tóchar G.A.A. Club

Code of Behaviour - Players

Raising awareness of the appropriate behaviours expected of players in An Tóchar GAA Club

Aim:

To have the co-operation of players in creating an ideal participation environment for all our members.

GIVE RESPECT GET RESPECT

YOUNG PLAYERS should be entitled to:

- Be safe and feel safe.
- Have fun and experience a sense of enjoyment and fulfilment.
- Be treated with respect, dignity and sensitivity.
- Comment and make suggestions in a constructive manner.
- Be afforded appropriate confidentiality.
- Participate in games and competitions at levels with which they feel comfortable.
- Make their concerns known and have them dealt with in an appropriate manner.
- Be protected from abuse.
- Be listened to.

YOUNG PLAYERS should always

- Play fairly, do their best and enjoy themselves.
- Respect fellow team members regardless of ability, cultural or ethnic origin, gender, sexual orientation or religion beliefs.
- Support fellow team members regardless of whether they do well or not.
- Represent their team, their Club and their family with pride and dignity.
- Respect all coaches, officials and their opponents.
- Be gracious in defeat and modest in victory. Shake hands before and after a game as part of the Give Respect Get Respect initiative, irrespective of the result.
- Play & train with their own age group. Players may play with older age groups, when required, by agreement of player, parents & coaches.
- Inform their Coach/Mentor/Manager in advance if they are unavailable for training and games.
- Take due care of Club equipment.
- Know that it is acceptable to talk to a coach or our Club Children's Officer Frances Gaskin, with any concerns or questions they may have.
- Adhere to acceptable standards of behaviour and our Club's Code of Discipline.
- Tell somebody else if they or others have been harmed in anyway.
- Should never use any digital content for example, but not limited to, photographs on social media without the expressed permission of the person concerned

YOUNG PLAYERS should never:

- Cheat – always play by the rules.
- Shout at or argue with a game’s official, with their Coach, their team mates or opponents and should never use violence.
- Use unfair or Bullying tactics to gain advantage or isolate other players.
- Spread rumours.
- Tell lies about adults or other young people.
- Play or train if they feel unwell or are injured.
- Use unacceptable language or racial and/or sectarian references.

**Everyone has a part to play;
Players, Coaches, and Parents.**