

# GREAT YARMOUTH TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

(Founded 20 JULY 1897)



Smudgers Clubhouse, Wellesley Recreation Ground,  
Sandown Road, Great Yarmouth, NR30 1EY.

## CLUB STANDARDS OF BEHAVIOUR

### Club Rule 9.4 – STANDARDS OF BEHAVIOUR FOR CLUB SUPPORTERS:

The Football Club fully expects all Parents / Guardians, Family members, Carers and Volunteers, which shall also include all persons purporting to be supporters of the Football Club, to comply with the following Club Standards of Behaviour without exception, being a positive representative of the Football Club at all times. As Club supporters they shall have a responsibility to promote high standards of appropriate conduct and behaviour within the game of association football and if they fail to comply with the standards set forth in this best behaviour protocol, disciplinary measures shall be taken by the Football Club. Any person purporting to be a supporter of the Football Club shall also in addition be aware of and give support to “*The FA’s Respect programme for spectators and parents/carers*” to ensure the game can be enjoyed in a safe and positive environment, as shall be in place from time to time.

#### Obligations towards the Football Club:

##### A Club supporter should;

- at all times conduct themselves in an orderly fashion and are expected to maintain a positive sportsmanship approach towards all players, officials, coaches, and other families before, during, and after a game.
- at all times refrain from using abusive, obscene, provocative, threatening or violent behaviour, conduct or language whilst in attendance at a Football Club activity.
- not get involved in any matter of dispute with any opposition team officials or with other Club supporters or spectators watching, and
- acknowledge that the Football Club has clear actions it shall take regarding repeated or serious misconduct at club level but also be aware of the possibility of more serious sanctions which may be imposed by the County FA or a League onto the Football Club.

#### Obligations towards Club Team officials:

##### A Club supporter should;

- allow the Club coaches to be the sole source of instructions during a game this ensures that the potential for player confusion is reduced, and
- show appreciation and respect for all appointed Club Team officials win, lose or draw, without them Club players could not participate.

#### Obligations towards all Club players:

##### A Club supporter should;

- be responsible solely for ensuring that the Club player gets to the game or activity in plenty of time, they shall also be solely responsible for getting the Club player home safely.
- cheer on a Club player and the Club team, but DO NOT COACH THEM, a Club player learns

best by making their own playing decisions.

- let the Club coaches coach as they spend their time teaching skills and strategy during training sessions and they let the players play with occasional calm instructions, and
- respect every Club player on the pitch, including the opposition players and be encouraged to applaud good play from both teams.

**Respect towards Match officials:**

**A Club supporter should;**

- be aware of the Football Clubs “zero-tolerance policy” with regard to the abuse or assault made towards a Match official.
- never shout at the Match official(s), including criticism, sarcasm, harassment or intimidation of any kind during or after the game.
- on no account question any Match official's decision, if Club supporters are seen to question decisions how are the Club players going to accept such decisions? and
- show due respect toward Match officials before, during and after a game.

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