

## **Refereeing Policy & Procedure**

Aim:

- To recruit and retain enough referees for the demands of the game within our Club.
- To maintain on-field discipline.
- To manage a cultural change in youth football regarding coaches, parents and spectators.
- To promote the development of individual referees.
- To provide a mentoring system within the club.
- To provide a referee reporting procedure in the event of incidents within a game to make football a safe, enjoyable and developmental environment for all participants.
- To provide a peer support network for referees in the form of meetings, with an invite to the Referees Association meeting.

## **Procedure:**

All mini soccer / colts referees will have attended the appropriate <u>FA Mini Soccer Referees Course or</u> <u>Full Referees Course</u>. Each Referee must be affiliated with Cambridgeshire FA on an annual basis.

Waterbeach Colts Football Club (WCFC) will not tolerate any negative comments aimed towards any referee on our recreational ground be it prior to, during and post games, by coaches, spectators or players from either teams, it will be reported to Cambridgeshire FA directly.

All away managers will receive the Referee Policy prior to their match at Waterbeach Recreational ground, which has been agreed with Cambridgeshire FA referees department by WCFC manager.

Away teams - if you have any issues with regards any referees during your game we would appreciate your feedback so we then can provide specific learning objectives for the individual referee, to support their development. Please e-mail Gary Boules (qualified level 4 referee) FA Referee Mentor at **gaztheref@gmail.com** or Chris Abbott at **chris.abbott@cambridgeshirefa.com** 

Touchline Ambassadors' will be present during games and will approach any spectator who verbalises any negative comments and ask them to refrain, immediately. See <u>WCFC code of conduct</u>.

## **Referees:**

If an incident occurs within your game, continue to adhere to rules of the game, and then please contact **Gary Boules** on **07830 020633** as soon as possible after the game, to inform him. Please write a statement in your own words on the incident whilst fresh in your mind.

If you require any support with your game or would like to clarify any incident that occurred during your game please contact **Gary Boules** on **07830 020633**.

Any incident that occurs during the game which results in negative or abusive comments Cambridgeshire FA discipline department will be made aware of the matter.