



CRAWLEY OLD GIRLS (COGS)

Code of Conduct

WE ALL HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO PROMOTE HIGH STANDARDS WITHIN THE GAME, WHETHER IT'S ON THE PITCH OR OFF IT.

On and off the field, I will:

- Adhere to the Laws of the Game
- Display and promote high standards of behaviour
- Promote fair play and behave within the spirit of the Laws of the Game
- Always respect the match officials' and coach's decisions
- Never engage in public criticism of the match officials or coaches.
- Never engage in offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour.
- Avoid bullying, intimidation and poor behaviour.
- Speak to my team-mates, the opposition and my coach/manager with respect.
- Remember we all make mistakes.
- Shake hands with the opposing team and the match officials at the end of every game.
- Respect that some information given on the Closed Group Facebook Page – Crawley Old Girls, by Committee Members, is specifically for members of COGS only and should be treated that way. (This will be advised, accordingly).
- Encourage women who join us and welcome them in a friendly manner.
- Respect being a member of Crawley Old Girls and if there are any issues that arise, I will speak to a Committee Member or the Chair and discuss them openly.

The Sussex County FA are bringing the statement below to your attention and to the attention of our participants to avoid any potential issues arising relating to the use of Social Networking, as a number of charges have been raised both locally and nationally against many participants of the game due to comments from Social Networking Sites such as Facebook etc.

"All comments on social networking sites may be considered public comment by The FA. Any comments which are improper, bring the game into disrepute or are threatening, abusive, indecent or insulting may lead to disciplinary action. Comments about match officials which imply bias, attack the officials' integrity or are overly personal in nature are considered improper. Comments which include a reference to a person's ethnic origin, colour, race, nationality, faith, gender, sexual orientation or disability may be considered aggravated and attract a higher disciplinary sanction. Re-tweeting another person's post may lead to disciplinary action if the original comment was improper. Deleting or apologising publicly for an improper posting, whilst advisable, does not prevent disciplinary action being taken. An individual is strictly responsible for any posting on his/her account. Participants should take every care to ensure that others do not access their account, as the fact that posting or comment may have been made by a third party will not prevent disciplinary action being taken against the account holder."

I understand that breaches of the code may result in action being taken by the Crawley Old Girls' Committee, Sussex County FA and/or The FA.