



NORTH EAST HAMPSHIRE YOUTH LEAGUE

Affiliated to Hampshire Football Association Limited

CHILD PROTECTION – CODE OF PRACTICE

DO:

- Treat all young people with the respect they deserve
- Seek parents and child's consent if help is needed with using the toilet or dressing
- Make sure any suspicions or allegations are recorded and reported to the Child Protection Officer. Do not get personally involved – leave it to the professionals
- Minimise the prospect of injury by checking all equipment and playing surfaces

DO NOT:

- Employ excessive or inappropriate training methods
- Subject young people to constant criticism, bullying or unrealistic pressure
- Engage in rough physical games or horseplay
- Touch a young person in an intrusive or sexual manner
- Make sexually suggestive comments, even in jest
- Do things of a personal nature that young people can do for themselves, such as going to the toilet or changing clothes

TRY TO AVOID:

- Spending too much time alone with an individual young person
- Giving lifts home in your car without parental agreement
- Taking a young person to your home

If some of these situations are unavoidable, try to get parental permission first. If that is not possible make certain you let the parents know what has happened as soon as you can.