



GRASSROOTS RESPECT

**DO WHAT IS RIGHT,
NOT WHAT IS EASY**

**RESPECT CAN BE SHOWN IN SO MANY WAYS,
IT IS FUNDAMENTAL TO THE CONTINUED SUCCESS
OF GRASSROOTS FOOTBALL AND DEVELOPMENT
OF THE NEXT GENERATION OF "PLAYERS" AND "PEOPLE".
RESPECT STARTS LONG BEFORE THE WHISTLE BLOWS
AND CONTINUES AFTER THE FINAL WHISTLE IS BLOWN.**



GRASSROOTS RESPECT

- ① **HANDSHAKE**
- ② **SPORTSMANSHIP**
- ③ **RESPECT THE RULES**
- ④ **LET THE COACH DO THE COACHING**
- ⑤ **ENCOURAGE ALL PLAYERS**
- ⑥ **LET THE PLAYERS PLAY**
- ⑦ **THANK YOUR REF**
- ⑧ **THANK YOUR OPPONENTS**
- ⑨ **SPECTATORS ENJOY BEING "RESPECTATORS"**
- ⑩ **REWARD SPORTSMANSHIP**



GRASSROOTS RESPECT THE HANDSHAKE

**RESPECT YOUR OPPONENTS
BY STARTING AND ENDING EVERY
GAME WITH A HANDSHAKE,
IT'S A SMALL GESTURE BUT MEANS
SO MUCH TO EVERYONE INVOLVED,
WISH YOUR OPPONENTS LUCK AND
EXCHANGE PENNANTS/BANNERS/
IF YOU HAVE THEM.**

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GRASSROOTS RESPECT SPORTSMANSHIP

**AS THE TEAM HUDDLES BEFORE
THE GAME, COACHES AND TEAM
CAPTAINS ALIKE REMIND
EVERYONE THAT
YOU'LL BE**

**PLAYING FAIR,
PLAYING BY
THE RULES,
AND RESPECTING
YOUR OPPONENTS.**

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GRASSROOTS RESPECT RESPECT THE RULES

EVERYONE LIKES TO WIN FOOTBALL
MATCHES BUT VICTORY MEANS
NOTHING IF YOU DO NOT DO IT FAIRLY,
KNOW THE RULES OF THE GAME
AND RESPECT THE OFFICIAL DECISION.

RESPECT THE RULES



GRASSROOTS RESPECT LET THE COACH DO THE COACHING

COACHES ARE A HUGE PART OF ANY TEAM AND ARE READY AND ABLE TO COACH AT TRAINING AND MATCH DAYS, PLEASE RESPECT OUR GRASSROOTS COACHES AND ALLOW THEM TO COACH THE TEAM WITHOUT SPECTATOR SIDELINE INSTRUCTIONS THAT MAY BE THE OPPOSITE OF THE COACHES.



GRASSROOTS RESPECT ENCOURAGE ALL PLAYERS

**ENCOURAGING WORDS
AND APPLAUSE FROM
RESPECTATORS ON THE
SIDELINE BRINGS OUT THE
BEST IN ALL PLAYERS,
APPLAUD GREAT PLAY
AND SPORTSMANSHIP
ON BOTH SIDES.**



GRASSROOTS RESPECT LET THE PLAYERS PLAY

GIVE THE PLAYERS THE SPACE AND ENVIRONMENT TO BE RELAXED, HAVE FUN AND PLAY, USE A RESPECTATOR BARRIER, LINE OR CONES TO AVOID PITCH ENCROACHMENT. AVOID STANDING BEHIND GOALS DISTRACTING PLAYERS. ALWAYS REMEMBER PLAYERS ARE CHILDREN AND WOULD RATHER PLAY AND LOSE THAN NOT PLAY AND WIN, EVERY CHILD DESERVES TO PLAY.



GRASSROOTS RESPECT THANK YOUR REF

**END YOUR GAME WITH HANDSHAKES FOR YOUR OPPONENTS,
WIN LOSE OR DRAW LET THEM KNOW "GEAT GAME".
A GOOD OPPONENT WILL BRING THE BEST OUT IN YOU AND
YOUR TEAM AND WITHOUT OPPONENTS WE HAVE NO GAME.**

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SPECTATORS ENJOY BEING "RESPECTATORS"

FANS SHOULD GET IN
— ON GOOD —
SPORTSMANSHIP TOO!

**SHAKE THE HANDS OF THE OPPOSING TEAM PARENTS AND
FANS, SAYING 'GOOD GAME' AND THANKING THEM FOR
CHEERING AND SUPPORTING GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP.**

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SPECTATORS ENJOY BEING "RESPECTATORS"



**WANT YOUR YOUR TEAM TO DEMONSTRATE
GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP AND RESPECT YOUR
OPPONENTS? CREATE AN AWARD OR
CERTIFICATE AND AWARD THE PLAYERS FROM
EACH TEAM WHO SHOWED GREAT
SPORTSMANSHIP DURING THE GAME.**

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