



WYMONDHAM TOWN UNITED FC
CLUB RULES, CLUB CODE OF CONDUCT & DISCIPLINARY POLICY
Season 2026/27

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Approved by: Committee

1. Introduction

These Club Rules apply to all individuals involved in Wymondham Town United FC ("the Club").

All members, players, parents/carers, coaches, volunteers and officials must comply with:

- The Club Code of Conduct.
- The relevant FA Respect Code of Conduct.
- Any applicable league code of conduct or disciplinary rules.
- FA safeguarding and welfare requirements.

Failure to comply may result in action under these Rules and, where appropriate, referral to the County FA, League or The FA.

2. Club membership

A Club Member is any person who has been accepted into membership by the Club in accordance with the Club Constitution and these Rules and whose name is entered in the Membership Register.

A person wishing to become a Club Member must complete the Club's membership application process, agree to abide by the Club Rules, Club Constitution and relevant FA Respect Code of Conduct, and be approved by the Committee. Membership takes effect once the applicant's name is entered in the Membership Register.



A person will cease to be a Club Member if they resign in writing, are removed following disciplinary action, or are deemed to have resigned due to non-payment of any applicable fees or subscriptions, in accordance with the Club Constitution and these Rules.

3. Club standards

All individuals must:

- Act with respect toward others.
- Promote a safe, positive and inclusive environment.
- Follow FA rules, league rules, safeguarding guidance and Club policies.
- Not engage in abusive, discriminatory, threatening or inappropriate behaviour.
- Not bring the Club into disrepute.

4. Club code of conduct

The Club expects all members to:

- Support a positive football environment.
- Treat teammates, opponents, referees, coaches, volunteers and spectators with respect.
- Arrive on time and be prepared for training and matches.
- Follow instructions from coaches, team managers and Club officials.
- Avoid behaviour that damages the Club's reputation or the enjoyment of others.

5. FA Respect code of conduct

The Club adopts the FA Respect Code of Conduct relevant to each group, including:

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- Young Players.
- Adult Players.
- Spectators and Parents/Carers.
- Coaches, Team Managers and Club Officials.
- Match Officials.

5.1 Parents and carers

Parents and carers must:

- Remember that children play for fun.
- Celebrate effort and good play.
- Always respect referees and coaches.
- Stay behind the touchline and within the designated spectator area where provided.
- Never use offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour.

5.2 Coaches, team managers and club officials

Coaches, team managers and club officials must:

- Set a positive example.
- Show respect to others involved in the game.
- Adhere to the laws and spirit of the game.
- Promote fair play and high standards of behaviour.

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- Place player welfare, safety and enjoyment above winning.
- Never tolerate bullying or abusive behaviour.

6. League compliance

Where the Club participates in a league, all members must also comply with that league's code of conduct, rules and disciplinary procedures.

If a league imposes additional behavioural standards or sanctions, members must cooperate fully with those requirements.

7. Safeguarding

The Club adopts FA safeguarding policies.

The Welfare Officer has responsibility for safeguarding matters and may liaise with the Committee, County FA, League or The FA where appropriate.

Where a safeguarding concern arises, the Club may:

- Suspend an individual without prior notice where necessary.
- Restrict access to training or matches.
- Refer the matter to the County FA, League, The FA or statutory authorities.

8. Disciplinary authority

All disciplinary matters are handled by the Committee.

- Coaches do not have authority to issue formal sanctions.
- Coaches may report incidents to the Committee.

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- The Committee may seek advice from the Welfare Officer, League or County FA where appropriate.

9. Disciplinary process

9.1 Stages of action

The Committee may apply the following:

1. Informal warning.
2. Formal written warning.
3. Temporary suspension.
4. Removal from role or team.
5. Termination of membership or involvement.

The Committee may skip stages depending on the seriousness of the matter.

9.2 Serious misconduct

The following may result in immediate action:

- Safeguarding breaches.
- Abuse toward volunteers, officials or match officials.
- Violence or threats.
- Discrimination or harassment.
- Conduct bringing the Club into disrepute.

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9.3 Investigation process

Where appropriate:

- The individual will be informed of the allegations.
- An opportunity to respond will be given.
- The Committee will review the evidence.
- The decision will be communicated in writing.

9.4 Suspension

The Committee may suspend an individual:

- Pending investigation.
- Where risk is identified.
- Without prior hearing in urgent cases.

10. Appeals

An individual may appeal a disciplinary decision in writing within 7 days.

The appeal will be heard by the Committee, excluding any conflicted members, and the decision will be final.

11. Fees and termination

Members must pay any fees set by the Club.

Failure to pay may result in suspension or removal from participation.

The Club may terminate involvement where:

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- Rules are breached.
- Conduct is unacceptable.
- It is in the best interests of the Club.

12. Conduct and reputation

All individuals must:

- Act in the best interests of the Club.
- Avoid behaviour that damages the Club's reputation.
- Follow FA, league and Club regulations.

13. Final authority

The Committee has final authority in all matters relating to:

- Discipline.
- Interpretation of these Rules.
- Club governance.

14. Acceptance

Participation in the Club constitutes acceptance of these Rules and the relevant FA Respect Code of Conduct.

Signed: WTUFC Committee

Chair / Committee Representative

Date: ____ 02/07/2026 ____

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