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### Managers/Coach Code of Conduct

#### **Garda Vetting**

Garda vetting has been an FAI Rule for all those working with children and or vulnerable persons (in a paid or voluntary capacity) for a number of years now. Therefore, this legislation simply places existing FAI practices on a statutory footing. If you are not Garda vetted through the FAI, you should not undertake any work in a paid or voluntary capacity with children or vulnerable persons in football.

For new Garda vetting applications, you should fully complete all sections of the FAI Garda vetting form available for download on the FAI website

In this document you will find a Garda vetting ID validation form, in addition to a Vetting Invitation form.

You should complete and return your Garda vetting ID validation form, Vetting Invitation form and copies of your verified identification in an enveloped marked 'Private and Confidential' to: the club secretary.

Upon receipt of your Vetting Invitation Form, Garda ID Validation form and copies of your verified ID the FAI will email you an invitation to complete the remainder of your Garda vetting application online. Following this, you will receive a tracking number which you can use to track the current status of your Garda vetting application.

If a Garda vetting applicant is aged 16 or 17, the above documentation must be accompanied by a Parental/Guardian Consent form (NVB 3).

#### **Safeguarding**

Target Group:

This is a mandatory course for any person working or volunteering with children in football in any capacity.





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#### **Code for Coaches**

## Relationships

- The good coach will be concerned primarily with the well-being, health and future of the individual player and only secondarily with the optimising of performance.
- o A key element in a coach/player relationship is the development of independence of the player.
- Players must be encouraged to accept responsibility for their own behaviour and performance in training, competition, and in their social life.
- The relationship between coach/player relies heavily on mutual trust and respect.
- In detail this means that the player should be aware of the coaches' qualifications and experience and must be given the opportunity to consent to or decline proposals for training and performance.
- Coaches must not encourage players to violate the laws of the game and should actively seek to discourage such action. Furthermore, coaches should encourage players to obey the spirit of such laws.
- o Coaches must not compromise their players by advocating measures which could be deemed to constitute seeking to gain an unfair advantage (cheating, diving, bullying).
- Above all, coaches must never advocate the use of proscribed drugs or other banned performance enhancing substances.
- Coaches must treat opponents and officials with due respect, both in victory and defeat and should encourage their players to act in a similar manner.
- o Coaches must accept responsibility for the conduct of their players insofar as they will undertake to discourage inappropriate behaviour.





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#### **Code of Conduct for Coaches**

The following is a code of conduct in relation to child protection, based on the principle that The Ballingarry AFC Club have a duty of care to safeguard children.

- o Respect the dignity and spirit of all players, including children and young adults.
- o Treat all players fairly.
- Establish supportive, positive environments to encourage healthy competition, skill development, fun and achievement.
- o Avoid contact or conduct that may be interpreted as having sexual connotations or inappropriate behaviour.
- O Do not take part in or tolerate behaviour that frightens, embarrasses or demoralises a player or negatively affects their self-esteem.
- Do not tolerate acts of aggression.
- Work towards eliminating harassment and abuse.
- o Be prepared to intervene if a child or young person under 18 is being abused or neglected.
- Practice fair play both during and outside of all sports activities. "Fair Play" is defined as showing considerate regard for players, leaders, parents, spectators and officials, abiding by the rules of soccer and officials decisions.
- Adhere to the policies of Ballingarry AFC Club

I as a Manager/Coach/Volunteer have read, understood and agree to the code of conduct for coaches in Ballingarry AFC



