



Langtoft United Club Rules

1. The prime purpose of the club is to provide the children of **Langtoft United** and the surrounding area with the opportunity to play football in a happy and safe environment. This will involve the participation in local leagues where applicable.
 - a. Each team will be coached by appropriately qualified people, as the listing below. A team will not be registered until all criteria are met.
 - b. **Registered Manager** Hold FA Level 1 Coaching (or be registered on a course within twelve months) Completed FA Playmaker, Have an FA approved DBS in date, Completed the FA Safeguarding for Children Course.
 - c. **Registered Assistant** Completed FA Playmaker, Completed the FA Safeguarding for Children Course, Have an FA approved DBS in date
 - d. **Additional helpers** Have an FA approved DBS in date, Completed the FA Safeguarding for Children course.
 - e. **All the above** Completed Langtoft United Registration Form and agreed to follow both the FA and Langtoft United Codes of Conduct and Respect programme.

2. The coach/manager of each team will have total discretion on all questions of team selection and tactics. However, the club has an **Equal Playing Time Policy** for each age group at the club. While this might not be possible to adhere to in each individual match due to injuries, number of substitutes etc, it is expected to be broadly used over the course of a season. This is to be agreed with player/parents at the time of signing or the start of each season.
 - **5v5 football** - each player should have equal playing time
 - **7v7 football** - each player should play at least 50% of the game
 - **9v9 football** -each player should play at least 50% of the game
 - **11v11 football (U13 and U14)** - each player should play at least 50% of the game
 - **11v11 football (U15, U16, U17 and U18)** - each player should play at least 30% of the game (21 of 70 minutes, 24 of 80 minutes, 27 minutes of 90 minutes, up to and including U18s football)

3. **The Club colours shall be as follows:** Shirts – Red and Yellow Stripes (to include the club badge and team number), Shorts – Red and Yellow and Socks - Yellow. All kit must be purchased from our kit suppliers Hereward Sports. All kits will be reviewed every two years.

4. **All matters of discipline** shall be followed up and ruled upon by the club committee, who will have the power to impose suspensions/club fines as they see fit. The club expects the highest standards of behaviour from all players, parents and managers/coaches both on and off the field of play. Ultimately the club holds manager/coach responsible for the overall

behaviour of the players/parents associated with their team manager/coach responsible for the overall behaviour of the players/parents associated with their team.

5. Where a player/member has been fined by the club or their respective league, this fine should be paid in full immediately by the individual. If this isn't settled within 2 weeks of receipt, the club will automatically suspend the player/member until such time that the committee are happy that the matter has been satisfactorily concluded. If a manager/coach feels that it's appropriate to appeal a fine/suspension, they will be invited to put their case to the club committee, who will have the final say as to whether the club files an appeal on behalf of the individual concerned.

6. If a disciplinary matter/complaint is made against any member of the committee, that individual will not be part of the decision-making process in respect of this case.

7. All playing and training kit always belongs to Langtoft United. Should a sponsor provide funds for the purchase of such, it will act as a donation to the club. Should a player, manager or coach leave a team mid-season they will be asked to return all items. At the end of the season, any team purchasing a new set of kit will return all old items to the club. The exception to this is where parents have directly purchased individual kit, although any kit can be returned to be passed through the Club.

8. Any lost or damaged kit is the responsibility of the players parents and as such should be replaced at the parents' expense. This replacement kit will still be classed as the property of Langtoft United as it will be deemed as a direct replacement for the original item.

9. All teams will play matches and train at the **Langtoft Sports Field** where possible. External arrangements will be supported by the club in extreme cases only.

10. All equipment supplied the club expects to be treated with the upmost respect. Any damages must be reported to the club with immediate effect. Equipment supplied will be replaced by the club for general wear and tear. Please note that lost equipment for example Training Footballs should be replaced by the coach's expense. **Langtoft United** won't replace lost equipment due to neglect by any of the clubs coaching staff. Persistent loss of equipment could result in disciplinary action taken.

11. All fund-raising monies raised using the name of **Langtoft United** will be collected into the club account. Those monies will then be used in consultation with the person/team to have raised the funds, but the final decision will be with the club committee.

12. It is the responsibility of the team coaches to set up their pitches prior to matches and to put equipment away in the correct designated areas. It is also the team coach's responsibility to make sure all rubbish has been placed in bins and pitches are left in a clean and tidy order.

13. **Langtoft United** expects all members to be attend every match with a positive attitude and to support each team without any poor behaviour. Any reported poor behaviour on match days and training with be investigated and the offending members with ultimately face a disciplinary if it requires it. We expect all members of **Langtoft United** to always observe the Code of Conduct. Breaking the code of conduct comes with consequences.