



# Southgate Colts FC

Please follow the instructions on SPOND to register your player to Southgate Colts FC for the upcoming season. Please see below some important information regarding becoming a member of our Club.

## Club Ethos:

Our aim is to supply a community platform and facilities for the provision of grass roots youth football. Where development pathways are created in a safe, inclusive and fun environment, enabling players to enhance their skill and confidence to the best of their ability.

## Our Expectations:

- ***Committed Players***

As a player you play the most important role in representing your club. You will show commitment to your team to attend all training sessions and matches. You will follow the code of conduct and show respect to your coach, your team mates, the opposition and the referee.

- ***Parent Reps and Volunteers***

**We need you!** We know from experience that teams work best with maximum parent involvement and children who are keen to develop in a team environment. This is where you come in, can you help with... Sponsorship, running the line, welcoming opposition teams, helping set up and tidy away, watching matches and cheering on the team, being around to tie up shoelaces, or making/bringing half time treats perhaps. Some of these things are essential and would really help your volunteer manager/coach!

**SPOND** - Keeping active on SPOND is crucial - for details about training, matches or responding to any messages we may send, we urge everyone to be active on SPOND and to make sure their notifications are turned ON.

## Respect

Our Respect Code of Conduct is central to our club and all members must read and follow the respect guidelines on and off the pitch. This includes parents!

Be aware that the yellow and red card system will be used if required, and this could result in your child missing important league matches. Cards can be given for misbehaviour on and off the pitch at any SCFC event. Cards can also be given to adults, whose misbehaviour risks suspension from match attendance.

Respect barriers are set up at every match and we ask that spectators remain behind the barrier for the duration of the match.

## ***Welfare Officers***

There are 2 Welfare Officers on hand to help out with behaviour or safeguarding concerns. Any committee member is also available if anybody needs support or advice.

Email: [southgatewelfare7.11@gmail.com](mailto:southgatewelfare7.11@gmail.com) for U7-U11 or [southgatefcwelfare@gmail.com](mailto:southgatefcwelfare@gmail.com) for U12 and over.



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Respect Code of Conduct (for all members) - You will be asked to sign Respect Forms by your Team Manager at the start of each season - also found on our website here:  
<http://www.southgatecoltsfc.co.uk/policies/>

In addition:

## *General Code of Conduct*

- Club members are expected to arrive punctually at the start time of any training or community event or 30-45 minutes before any stated kick off time for matches.
- Matchday parking is at Launceston College car park. Parking is only permitted at the pitches for managers, coaches and disabled parking.
- Parents are not to leave their children unattended at training without first informing the relevant coach or committee member and leaving contact details.
- Be respectful to all throughout the duration of any SCFC activities.
- Do not argue with club or match officials, members or team mates, or opposition.
- Abusive language will not be tolerated
- The coach or referee decision is final and to be respected at all times
- Good sportsmanship is expected at all times - good play is always acknowledged but criticism is withheld.
- Participation in safe, enjoyable sport is primary above result or score.

## *Launceston College Code of Conduct*

- Only enter or exit from specified gates and routes
- No dogs, on or off the lead are allowed at any time on site
- Any litter must be disposed of responsibly
- The pitch is looked after: please use designated spectator areas.
- Pavilion facilities are available for our use but please use responsibly and with respect.
- Do not allow young children to wander the site alone.

## *Yellow and Red Card system (managed by the Welfare Committee)*

Stage 1 - The coach (plus one other) will have an informal chat with the player and explain that their behaviour does not follow the Club Code of Conduct.

Stage 2 - If there is no improvement at future training then a **YELLOW CARD** will be issued by the Welfare Officer to the parent by email. The area of concern and ideas for improvement will be explained to the player and parent.

Stage 3 - If there is still no improvement then a second **YELLOW CARD** will be emailed to the individual. The parent/guardian will be asked to accompany the child to future training sessions.

Stage 4 - If the bad behaviour continues then a **RED CARD** will be issued and may result in match bans and worst case scenario, suspension from the club.



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## Subscriptions 2025/26:

- £160 first child, discount applied for second child and any subsequent children.
- Spond will be used to collect subs payment. They can be paid in either two or four instalments.
- Payment plans to spread cost further can be arranged, but will need to be arranged prior to August 31<sup>st</sup>, however we recommend this is done as soon as possible by contacting [southgatefcmembership@gmail.com](mailto:southgatefcmembership@gmail.com).
- Subscriptions cover the cost of running the club (insurance, training provision, facilities, equipment, league registration, match fees and all associated costs) and do not guarantee match time.
- **Player registration to specific Teams is at the discretion of the Team Manager/Coaches**

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Please be aware that by giving your consent you are agreeing to:

- The registration of this player and the club storing this information.
- Our qualified coaches and personnel, in cases of serious illness or injury, to act in loco parentis if we were unable to contact you, including taking your child to hospital, giving permission for medical treatment and giving the information listed above to medical staff.
- The player and parental expectations set out in the codes of conduct above and provided at the start of season by your manager for signing

## **ALL INFORMATION DISCLOSED WILL BE TREATED WITH THE UTMOST CONFIDENTIALITY**

**Southgate Football Club only holds data on players and parents solely for the running of the club and its activities. All data is held by the club officers and team managers in a secure manner. Data is only shared within the club, relevant football leagues and the FA. Please contact the club secretary if you wish for further details.**

Thank you for your understanding and the integral part you all play in making Southgate Colts Football Club successful. We are sure you appreciate that our ultimate responsibility is for the safe and fun participation for ALL of the children.

We ask that every child and their parent or guardian read the codes of conduct fully.

Adults: please explain the code of conduct to your children, and explain that ALL are expected to abide by it.