



## **Solent Seahawks Academy American Football Players Code of Conduct**

1. Attend training sessions and matches at times advised by the Club. If unable, players shall make all reasonable attempts to inform their Head Coach before the session.
2. Players must comply with the clear direction given by the Head Coach with regards to gameday uniform.
3. Pay all subscriptions and other fees promptly, if unable, inform the Club at the earliest opportunity.
4. Renew annual BAFA membership promptly and before the new season starts.
5. Players are responsible for ANY equipment that is loaned to them away from practice or gamedays, a financial penalty may be applied for any damage caused beyond wear and tear.
6. Players will treat any loaned equipment with care and protect it from purposeful damage and endeavour to return this equipment in the state in which it was loaned out, this does not include normal and expected wear and tear. i.e. do not leave expensive helmets and pads in car overnight.
7. Respond to all requests for availability and other necessary communications promptly.
8. Abide by any additional rules for specific age groups, which may be notified from time to time by the Head Coach.
9. Play within the laws of the game at all times.
10. Respect and follow the directions of coaching staff, match and club officials.
11. Players must inform your Head Coach, coaching staff and/or welfare officer of any diagnosed concussion as soon as it happens. This includes any concussions caused within playing American football and externally caused by other sports played outside of American football.
12. Players should inform your Head Coach, coaching staff and/or Welfare Officer of any injuries a player is suffering from so that the club can adjust any training sessions accordingly and make informed decisions on whether a player is fit to play. The final decision as to whether a player is fit to train or play will remain with the Head Coach.
13. Act respectfully towards all officials and players of opposing teams.
14. Abusive language to anyone is unacceptable. This includes anyone associated with your own team and the opposing team.
15. Avoid any individual or collective behaviour that may reasonably be held to be offensive by others.
16. Avoid all acts that may incite violence or disorder from others, act with control at all times, do not lose your temper.

17. Make no negative public statements about the Club, opposing teams or match officials.
18. Respect the equipment and facilities of both the Club and opposing teams.
19. Do not use remarks based on race, religion, gender or ability, as such comments are wholly unacceptable.
20. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of everyone involved in the sport.
21. Work hard to improve both yourself and teammates, the Club as a whole, will benefit.
22. Play for your enjoyment and become an active part of the Seahawks FAMILY.
23. Give your best for the Club at all times.
24. Win with humility – lose with dignity.

Signed : \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_