

BALLYGARRETT RÉALT NA MARA GAA CLUB

Code of Conduct and Best Practice for Youth Sport

Ballygarrett Réalt na Mara GAA Club is fully committed to safeguarding the well being of its members. Young Players deserve to be given enjoyable, safe sporting opportunities, free of abuse and intimidation in any form. These players have rights which must be respected, and rules that as members, they must accept.

Young players can ensure that our sport has a beneficial impact when they adhere to the following principles. Young players should;

- Treat all Coaches, Mentors, Club officials with respect
- Play fairly and respect your opponents
- Respect fellow team members - even when things go wrong
- Respect opponents - be humble in victory and gracious in defeat
- Behave in a manner that avoids bringing the sport and our club into disrepute
- Never cheat, use violence, verbal abuse or engage in 'name-calling'
- Never shout or argue with officials
- Never bully or use bullying tactics to isolate another player
- Never use bullying tactics to gain an unfair advantage
- Never engage in 'name-calling'
- Always accept apologies from opponents when offered
- Should not spread rumours, or tell lies about adults or other players
- Represent their family, club and county with pride and dignity
- Shake hands with their opponents before and after the game irrespective of the result
- Adhere to proper standards of behaviour and the club's *Code of Conduct and Best Practice* when travelling to away events
- Have fun, participate on an equal basis
- Have complaints treated in confidence and acted upon
- Inform the Coach/Mentor of your availability for training and competition
- Respect club property and the personal belongings of others and in particular, that dressing rooms, equipment and facilities are not damaged in any way
- The use of camera phones/cameras in dressing rooms is ***Strictly Prohibited***
- **Remain at the designated collection point after training/matches. The Car Park is not a play ground**
- Talk to the Clubs Children's Child's Officer if you they have any problems

Alan Vines

Club's Children's Officer

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Anti-Bullying Policy Statement

“WE WONT STAND BY”

Ballygarrett Réalt na Mara GAA Club aims to create a supportive environment where any form of bullying is unacceptable. We adopt a whole organisational approach to addressing bullying and are committed to implementing structures and relevant training to deal with allegations of bullying. Incidents of bullying are regarded as serious breaches of our Code of Best Practice in Youth Sport - Our Games Our Code. We are committed to achieving an ethos of respect so as to maximise the potential of all our members when playing or participating in our Gaelic Games.

DEFINITION

Bullying is defined as repeated aggression, be it verbal, psychological or physical, conducted by an individual or group against others.

THE GAA SEEKS TO ENSURE THAT:

- Incidents of bullying behaviour are addressed appropriately
- All persons in membership of the Association or attending our games or activities are aware that bullying behaviour is unacceptable in the GAA.

DEALING WITH BULLYING

The Code of Behaviour when working with underage players provides good practice guidance in relation to the prevention of bullying.

If you are aware of or have a concern that bullying behaviour is happening within your Club you should report the matter to your Club Children's Officer.

We recognise that incidents of bullying are a breach of the Code of Behaviour and of our Give Respect - Get Respect initiative and all such incidents will be dealt with accordingly.

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