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# Spectators Code of Conduct

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## At Charlton Park we encourage our spectators to:

- Encourage all players to play within the rules of Rugby Union.
  - Support every player's involvement and help players to enjoy their sport.
  - Use correct and proper language at all times.
  - Set a good example by recognising fair play and by applauding every player's performance.
  - Always recognise good performances and not just good results.
  - Always accept the official's judgements without exceptions even if they make a mistake - remember that they are volunteers providing an opportunity for players to play rugby.
  - Always stand back from the lines of the pitch, in order to allow the match officials to see and run the lines.
  - Always show respect and encourage others to respect the Club / Staff / Volunteers and Players at all times.
  - Discourage players from arguing with match officials and playing unfairly.
  - Never shout abuse at players or officials at anytime.
  - Never punish or be little a young player for losing a game or for making a mistake during the game.
  - Never go onto the pitch during a game unless told / asked to by match officials.
  - Never use or encourage any violent or abusive behaviour at anytime.
  - Be familiar with and abide by the RFU Child Protection Guidelines in relation to verbal or emotional abuse.
  - Remember that young people play sport primarily for their own enjoyment and not that of spectators.
  - Verbally encourage all players in a positive manner – shouting 'for' them not 'at' them.
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