Saltire City FC Players Conduct Policy

Saltire City Football Club believes that players are ambassadors for the Club and the game. All players are expected to uphold the highest standards of behaviour, sportsmanship, and respect both on and off the pitch. This policy sets out the conduct standards required of all players representing Saltire City FC.

This policy applies to all players registered to Saltire City FC, including training sessions, matches, travel, events, online activity, and any situation where a player is representing the Club.

As a Saltire City FC Player, I WILL:

- Abide by the Saltire City FC Child Wellbeing & Protection Policy (where applicable).
- Treat teammates, opponents, match officials, coaches, volunteers, and supporters with respect and dignity at all times.
- Play within the Laws of the Game and the spirit of football.
- Respect the decisions of referees and match officials at all times.
- Follow the reasonable instructions of coaches and Club officials.
- Display good sportsmanship, whether winning, losing, or drawing.
- Attend training and matches punctually and notify coaches if unavailable.
- Wear Club kit and equipment correctly and with pride.
- Use social media responsibly and in line with the Club's Communications & Media Policy.
- Promote a positive image of Saltire City FC on and off the pitch including participation in Commercial or Community events
- Report any concerns regarding safety, welfare, bullying, discrimination, or abuse to a coach, Club official, or CWPO.
- Support and encourage teammates, regardless of ability or experience.

As a Saltire City FC Player, I WILL NEVER:

- Use offensive, abusive, discriminatory, or threatening language or behaviour.
- Intimidate, harass, bully, or deliberately provoke others.
- Engage in violent conduct, dangerous play, or reckless behaviour.
- Undermine, confront, or abuse referees or match officials.

- Bring the Club into disrepute through behaviour, including online activity.
- Consume alcohol, illegal substances, or arrive under their influence at Club activities.
- Engage in any form of cheating, simulation, or unsporting conduct.
- Share confidential Club matters or personal information about others.
- Participate in harassment, discrimination, or exclusion of others for any reason.
- Ignore or bypass safeguarding rules or welfare procedures.

Disciplinary Action

I understand that failure to follow this Player Conduct Policy may result in action under the Saltire City FC – Disciplinary & Appeals Procedure, which may include:

- A verbal warning
- A written warning
- Temporary suspension from training and/or matches
- Mandatory education or behavioural support
- Removal from matchday squads
- Suspension from Saltire City FC
- Termination of Club registration
- Referral to the Scottish FA, SWF, league body, or statutory authorities (where applicable)

Disciplinary decisions will be made fairly, proportionately, and in line with Club Disciplinary procedures, with the right of response and appeal.

By signing below, I confirm that I understand and agree to abide by the Saltire City FC Player Conduct Policy

Player Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

(For players under the age of 18)

Parent / Carer Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____