

## Fareham Town Youth Football Club Kit and Equipment Policy

1. **Managers Kits** – For new managers the club will pay for a manager's kit up to the value of a maximum of £100. This is to be of any make and consist of ideally a jacket, polo shirt or T-shirt, shorts and or tracksuit bottoms/joggers. It is to be Red and Black in colourway either all one colour or a combination of both.

Current managers will be able to order new kit for themselves every 2 years that the club will pay up to the value of a maximum of £100. As stated above for new managers.

All of the above has to be approved by the Kit and Equipment manager to ensure it's not inappropriate and is the correct colourway.

The above only applies for the manager of the team, assistant managers and coaches will have to fund their own kit. In most cases the majority of the teams use the £100 to pay towards the managers and assistant manager's kit and then pay the remaining balance themselves or use a sponsor to cover the remaining balance.

2. **Team Kits** – For the purchase of a new team kit it is recommended that the team manager and parents try to find a sponsor to either pay for or fund for a new kit. This is something that current teams seem to do well and tap into local businesses and parents to help get sponsorship through the companies and organisations they work for.

The Kit and Equipment manager holds a few used kits that can be used for a temporary basis until a new kit is purchased/sourced. In some cases these used kits are in fantastic condition and can be used for a whole season. It is judged on a case by case basis, no team will go without a kit.

He will also help with the best suppliers and makes to go for when you are in a position to purchase a kit and how to go about it. There is no preferred make of kit or supplier so as long as you follow the guide below you shouldn't have any issues getting the make of kit or preferred supplier that you want.

Home Kits are to be Red and Black Striped shirt with Black shorts and Red or Black socks.  
Away kits are to be Blue and Black Striped shirt with Black shorts and Red or Black socks.

In normal circumstances you will only need a home kit but some teams do like buying an away shirt too. The Kit and Equipment manager holds a few away shirts for different age groups should your team have a kit clash for a particular game/weekend. Please give at least 4 days notice where possible if these are required.

With regards to jackets, training tops, bags, hats and drinking bottles these are not covered/purchased by the club. Some teams have some if not all of them due to getting additional sponsorship or ask the parents to pay towards this. Some teams either get a sponsor to cover everything and some use 2 or more sponsors to get these niceties.

If you do get a sponsor and they give you a figure in mind – Let's say £500 get in contact with the Kit and Equipment manager and he will tell you what you can get for that amount. It

might be that they are a little short of the mark or that there is some left over to get some additional items.

The rough cost of a kit for 18 adults is about £650 depending on what make and kit supplier you use. So the lower the age group the cheaper the kit should be. These prices are based on the year 2021.

**ALL KITS AND SPONSORS HAVE TO BE APPROVED BY THE KIT AND EQUIPMENT MANAGER BEFORE BEING PURCHASED** – This is to ensure the kit is the correct style and colourway and the sponsor is appropriate for the youth section teams.

**SPONSORS ARE TO MADE AWARE THAT ALL KIT WITH A FAREHAM TOWN CREST/BADGE IS AND WILL ALWAYS BE FAREHAM TOWN FC's PROPERTY AND NOT THE SPONSORS PROPERTY.** – So when/if players or teams leave the club they are to return all kit and equipment to the Kit & Equipment Manager.

**3. Equipment** – All new teams will be given the following when joining the club:

- 10 x Training Balls
- 2 x Match Balls
- 1 x Set of Small Cones
- 1 x Set of Poles
- 1 x Set of Bibs – Number depending on age group
- 1 x Whistle
- 1 x Pump
- 1 x First Aid Kit
- 1 x Set of Keys to the Stadium/Ground

New balls will be ordered at the end of each season for all teams as long as they require them. Along with any additional equipment that is either broken or has wear and tear that is no longer usable.

Any additional equipment if not in the Lock up/ISO Container within the stadium is to be sourced by sponsors or other means. If there is a majority of managers after additional equipment it will be put to the committee for approval to be purchased by the club.

**4. Goals, Nets, Corner Flags and ISO Equipment** – The equipment within the Blue ISO container is available for all teams of Fareham Town Youth Section to use as well as the 5 & 7 a side goals by the double side doors.

Please look after this equipment as we would like it to last a long as possible as well as ensuring the kids get to play with professional fully operational equipment that isn't defective due to lack of passion and pride when removing, setting up and putting away of all equipment.

If you notice any safety issues or concerns with equipment please raise it with the Kit and Equipment manager as soon as possible please.

On match day if you are the first to be at Cams Alders please make sure to put out the traffic cones to ensure no parking on the road/double yellows. This is for safety reasons to ensure a child isn't hit by a car when crossing the road to retrieve a ball, it gives a driver a better chance of seeing a child approaching the road. In the past there have been close calls when cars are parked there as the driver can't see a child coming out behind a parked car giving the child and driver no time to react.

If you are the last person at Cams Alders please make sure that all the traffic cones are put back into the stadium along with all respect barriers, goals/nets and corner flags

Please can you make sure to lock up the ISO container, toilets and the stadium doors/gates when leaving.

5. **The Kit and Equipment Manager** – Martin Taylor

I've been part of the youth section for a few years now, joined as a Coach in 2013 and joined the committee in 2014. I am more than happy for you to get in contact me for any help or advice with regards to kit and equipment.