



# Hampshire FA

## The Role and Responsibilities of a Respect Steward



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# Session Outline

- The Role and Responsibilities of a Respect Steward
- Reporting Concerns
- Additional Resources
- General Notices and Updates
- Any Questions



# Respect Steward

To support the FA Respect programme Hampshire FA are continuing with the requirement for all teams Home & Away to provide an adult (this should not be the team manager or coach) steward for all youth football teams U16 and below.

Hampshire FA are aware some leagues have mandated that all age groups must provide a Respect Steward. If you are unsure please check with your League Committee.



# The Role of a Respect Steward

- Ideally not the Manager or a member of Coaching Staff.
- An Adult who preferably is someone that is calm but confident in dealing with others within their own Club.
- Ideally try to keep the same person every week or a small group of people to carry out the role on a rotational basis.
- Make sure they are known to supporters of your team.
- **The respect Steward is required to wear a High Viz Vest or Jacket for the role.**

## Visibility of a Respect Steward

**Good visibility makes it easier for the Referee to identify the Match Respect Steward prior and during the match -  
So introduce yourself!**



**Resources available to purchase from RespectShop**



## Matchday Respect Steward



**HOW YOU ARE SHOWING YOUR SUPPORT** - The Match Respect Steward can help the Club ensure that the Respect Programme is followed for the benefit of all participants. The Respect Steward should use their own knowledge of their own Club spectators to help prevent abuse, foul language or other unacceptable behaviour.

**IMPORTANT** - The Respect Steward should ensure their own safety at all times and if in doubt about the potential for a situation to escalate they should act in accordance with their concerns.



# Responsibilities of a Respect Steward

- Ensuring that their own spectators comply with Respect designated spectator area.
- Remind own supporters of responsibilities in relation to Respect.
- Support the Referee when dealing with any spectator related issue within your own team.
- Use common sense at all times and be a visual point of contact for any concerns from the opposition Respect Steward.
- Dependent on League procedures the Respect Steward may assist to check registration cards or complete match result cards.
- The FA Respect Programme must be considered by the Respect Steward at all times, and any issues should be reported to the League & County Association.



# The Hampshire FA Team and Reporting your Concerns

- Who do I report my concerns to?

- Club Welfare Officer
- League Welfare Officer
- Hampshire FA Safeguarding - [safeguarding@hampshirefa.com](mailto:safeguarding@hampshirefa.com)
- Hampshire FA Discipline - [discipline@hampshirefa.com](mailto:discipline@hampshirefa.com)
- Hampshire FA Referee Development - [andy.moisey@hampshirefa.com](mailto:andy.moisey@hampshirefa.com)



# Additional Resources

- **FA Code of Conduct and Resources [Explore - Respect | England Football | England Football](#)**
- **Click on the 'CLUB DIGITAL ASSET' link above to also to access lots of digital and downloadable posters and resources to use at your club**
- **Your Club's Code of Conduct**
- **Resources available to purchase from RespectShop [Respect Shop](#)**
- **Online Safeguarding course for Parents**  
**Free, online course for parents and carers**  
**<https://learn.englishfootball.com/courses/safeguarding/safeguarding-awareness-for-parents-and-carers>**



Did you know?.....



90% of  
children play  
better with  
positivity 😊



# Online Safeguarding course for Parents



FA research indicates that parents are most likely to access the course if they have been asked to do so by their club.

Free, online course for parents and carers  
25-30 minutes to complete

Accessed via: <https://learn.EnglandFootball.com/courses/safeguarding/safeguarding-awareness-for-parents-and-carers>