St Patrick's GAA Code of Conduct for Managers and Mentors.

1. All managers and mentors must be paid up members of St Patrick's GAA and they must ensure all players are paid up members and registered to play for the Club.
2. All managers and mentors must have a Current Garda Vetting Certificate.
3. All Managers and coaches are expected to achieve the Level 1 Coaching Award.
4. Understand that winning is a consideration but not the only one. The overall development of players is your primary objective, particularly in the age group 6 to 18.
5. Understand that players that are entrusted to you are Club members and not your players.
6. Treat your fellow Club Managers with dignity and respect and never contact a player from another team/panel without the agreement of that player’s Manager.
7. Display dignity and professionalism in dealing with opponents, referees, club volunteers and supporters.
8. Respect the right and dignity of each player. Treat everyone fairly, regardless of gender, ethnicity, place of birth, sexual orientation, religion, political belief, ability or disability.
9. Be a positive role model to players. Refrain from the use of abusive, obscene, or profane language or gestures. Never address a player in a manner that threatens or insults them.
10. Refrain from criticising players publicly. Do not criticise player performance; identify and point out where improvements may be made.
11. Ensure that player behaviour is acceptable. Stop any dangerous play, bullying or the use of bad language or other inappropriate behaviour.
12. Communication to players up to 18 years of age must be done through a parent.
13. Organise training drills and practices that are enjoyable and challenging for players and appropriate for the age level.
14. Be punctual for all training and matches and wear appropriate attire.
15. Have a First Aid Kit available at all times. Keep a record of injuries to players and notify parents of any injury, where you deem it appropriate.
16. Report any serious injuries to the club Committee.
17. PLEASE ensure Dressing Rooms are swept and cleaned after each training session or game, home or away.
18. Please ensure players DO NOT urinate at the side of pitches, home or away.
19. Encourage players to take responsibility for collecting balls, cones, bibs etc. at training sessions and matches. Jerseys should always handed back and NOT thrown on the ground.
20. Make yourself aware of Concussion protocols. If a player shows any signs of concussion, remove them immediately from the game/training.
21. Maintain confidentiality about sensitive information.

1. Keep a record of attendance at training and at games of both players and mentors.
2. Report all players who receive a Red Card to the Disciplinary Committee.
3. Report any incidents of alleged abuse, or bullying behaviour by players or mentors to a member of the club Committee.
4. Report any incidents of alleged illegal drug use, or substance abuse, to a member of the club Committee.
5. All mentors need to exercise caution when engaging on Social Media and publishing content on line. Avoid posting anything online or on social media that is inappropriate or degrading.
6. Be accompanied by at least one other adult in dressing rooms.
7. Except in an emergency or exceptional circumstances a manager/coach should never transport a child on their own. ( Does not apply to own child )
8. Please make yourself aware of the contents of the GAAs Code of Behaviour and Code of Best Practice.