# HALLIFORD COLTS F.C. ANTI DISCRIMINATION & EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES POLICY.

### **ANTI DISCRIMINATION POLICY**

Halliford Colts Football Club is responsible for setting standards and values to apply throughout the Club at every level. Football belongs to and should be enjoyed by everyone equally. Our commitment is to confront and eliminate discrimination whether by of reason sex, sexual orientation, race .nationality, ethnic origin, colour, religion or disability.

# **EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY**

At Halliford Colts Football Club means that in all our activities we will not discriminate or in anyway treat anyone less favourably, on grounds of sex, sexual orientation, race, nationality, ethnic origin, religion or disability.

# This includes:

- \* The advertisement for volunteers
- \* The selection of candidates for volunteers
- \* Courses
- \* External coaching & educational activities and awards
- Football development activities
- Selection of teams
- \* Appointments of honorary positions.

Halliford Colts Football Club will not tolerate sexual or racially based harassment or other discriminatory behaviour, whether physical or verbal and will work to ensure that such behaviour is met with the appropriate action in whatever context it occurs.

Halliford Colts Football Club is committed to the development of the programme on ongoing training and awareness raising events and activities in order to promote the eradication of discrimination within its organisation and in the wider context, within football as a whole.

## **EQUAL OPPORTUNITY POLICY**

Halliford Colts Football Club is committed to a policy of equal treatment of all members and requires all members of whatever authority, to abide and adhere to this general principle and the requirements of the Codes of Practice issued by the Equal Opportunities Commission and Commission for Racial Equality.

All members are expected to abide by the requirements of the Race Relations Act 1976, Sex Discrimination Act 1986 and Disability Discrimination Act 1995. Specifically discrimination is prohibited in:

- \* Treating an individual on grounds of gender, colour, marital status, race, nationality or ethnic or national origin, religion, sexual orientation or disability less favourably than others.
- \* Expecting an individual solely on the grounds stated above to comply with requirement(s) for any reason whatsoever related to their membership, which are different to the requirements of others
- Imposing on an individual requirements which are in effect more onerous on that individual than they are on any others. For example this would include applying a condition (which is not warranted by the requirements of the position) which makes it more difficult for members of a particular race or sex to comply that others of that race or sex.
- Victimisation of an individual.
- Harassment of an individual ( which for the purpose of this policy and the actions and sanction applicable thereto is regarded as discrimination).
- \* Any other act or omission of an act, which has its effect the disadvantaging of a member against another, or others, purely on the above grounds. Thus, in all the Club's recruitment, selection, promotion and training processes, as well as disciplinary matters etc in other words all instances where those in control of members are required to make judgements between them it is essential that merit, experience, skills and temperament, are considered objectively as possible.

Halliford Colts Football Club commits itself to the immediate investigation of any claims of discrimination on the above grounds, and were such is found to be the case, a requirement that the practice cease forthwith, restitution of damage or loss (if necessary) and to the investigation of any member accused of discrimination.

Any member found guilty of discrimination will be instructed to desist forthwith. Since discrimination in its many forms is against the Football Clubs policy, any members offending will be dealt with under the disciplinary procedure.

The football club commits itself to the disabled person wherever possible and will treat such members, in aspects of their recruitment and membership, in exactly the same manner as other members, the difficulties of their disablement permitting assistance will be given, wherever possible to ensure that disabled

members are helped in gaining access. Appropriate training will be made to such members who request it.