

## **EDMSL Respect Marshals – Roles and Responsibilities**

At each League fixture or cup match, it is the responsibility of every team to provide a Respect Marshal who is required to wear a league supplied high visibility vest. Any team failing to do so will result in a Charge in accordance with League Rules.

Both clubs home and away, must nominate a responsible adult/member of their club to act as a Respect Marshal on the date of the match. This should **NOT** be the team manager or coach, but another adult who is at the match.

## The responsibility of the Respect Steward is to:-

- 1. Upon arrival at the venue, the Respect Marshal from the home team will ask their opponents who their Respect Marshal is and make introductions to each other.
- 2. Together they will then report to the match referee before the start of the game and introduce themselves to him/her.
- 3. During the game each marshal will be responsible for the behaviour of all their own club members and spectators. If the referee needs to, he/she will during a stoppage in play, approach the Respect Marshal and ask him/her to assist in dealing with any problems that may occur. The Respect Marshal is not exempt from being reported for misconduct.
- 4. The FA **RESPECT Programme** must be considered by the marshal at all times, any issues during the match should be discussed with team managers, the opposition Respect Marshal and the Referee. Guidance as to the behaviour required by the RESPECT Programme are available from the FA RESPECT Codes of conduct, which are available on the League website and App.
- 5. Should it be necessary the Respect Marshal has the power to report incidents to the League via Club Secretaries.

If required due to safeguarding concerns for a child on the opposing side (informed by manager), the Respect Marshal shall ensure that own side parents due not take pictures or Video.

6. On no account should the Respect Marshal get into confrontations with opposition spectators, marshals have a responsibility for their own club spectators only, any concerns should be raised with the opposition marshal.