



**CODE OF CONDUCT
FOR FOOTBALL ACADEMY PLAYERS OF COMPULSORY SCHOOL AGE**

Prior to signing this Code of Conduct and registering the Academy Player at its Academy, full discussion has taken place and agreement has been reached between the Academy, the Academy Player and the parents as to the educational, technical and match programme to be provided by the Academy to the Academy Player.

_____ (“the Academy Player”) has the potential to become
a footballer at the highest level and will registered as an Academy Player at Exeter City FC (“the Club”)

Both the Academy Player and the Academy Player’s parents understand that the Club is committed to the Academy Player’s wellbeing, future development and realisation of potential, but that the level of achievement ultimately reached cannot be guaranteed.

In registering the Academy Player at its Football Academy, the Club, the parents and the Academy Player agree to the following Code of Conduct.

THE CLUB AGREES TO PROVIDE

- a safe environment in which the Academy Player can learn and develop without fear of abuse
- medical, screening monitoring and support for the Academy Player
- a structured football learning programme, appropriate to the age, ability and growth of the Academy Player
- participation in football matches arranged or approved by the EFL
- trained, screened and qualified coaching and other staff and facilities as determined by the rules governing Academies
- guidelines to the Academy Player and parents on the best ways for them to contribute to the Academy Player’s football and personal development
- educational support (in consultation with the Academy Player’s school) for the continued academic and personal development of the Academy Player
- regular communication and reports to the Academy Player and parents on the student’s progress
- a Code of Conduct and Rules for its Academy

THE ACADEMY PLAYER AGREES TO

- attend the Academy regularly and punctually, behave with self-discipline and give notice of and reasons for any absence
- practice the techniques and skills taught by the Academy and attempt to apply them in matches
- participate in football matches outside normal school hours only as specified by the Academy
- attend school regularly and punctually, complete school assignments and behave at school as at the Academy
- follow a lifestyle appropriate to development – spending leisure time positively; eating, drinking, relaxing and sleeping sensibly
- adhere to the Club’s Code of Conduct and Rules for its Academy

THE PARENTS AGREE TO

- encourage and help the Academy Player meet targets, including this Code of Conduct and the Club’s Code of Conduct and Rules for its Academy
- support the Academy Player without pressure, praise good work and refrain from criticising lapses □ set a good example to the Academy Player
- respect the opportunity given to the Academy Player and not approach or permit any other person to approach any other club during the currency of this registration except as allowed under the Rules governing Academies
- communicate with the Academy staff, keeping them informed about matters affecting the Academy Player
- permit the Academy Player to play only in football matches outside normal school hours as specified by the Academy □ adhere to the Club’s Code of Conduct and Rules for its Academy

We, the undersigned, agree to the Academy Code of Conduct

Name _____

Football Club

Signature _____

Name _____

Signature _____

Academy Player

Name _____

Signature _____

Parent/s

Note: This Code of Conduct should be signed in quadruplicate, one copy being provided to the Academy Player, one to his parents, one being submitted to the League in accordance with Youth Development Rule 257 and the fourth being retained by the Club.