UNIVERSITY OF LEICESTER ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB
CODE OF PRACTICE

INFORMATION TO NEW MEMBERS
Information for new members is initially provided at the Freshers’ Fair with the next stage being catered for at the trials which follow. From here on in, the Association Football Club notice board and training will be the way to gain and keep in contact with all the activities of the club. The committee will clearly identify themselves in the early stages of the season and will be available to answer any queries that may arise.

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION THROUGH THE SEASON
Details of fixtures, results, training are posted weekly on the notice board and regularly up-dated. It is important to keep in contact with your team captain as to the activities of your squad as well as becoming involved in the social aspects of the club.

In addition, news, events and information can be found on the club’s web site at www.clubwebsite.co.uk/universityofleicetserfootballclub or the ULFC page on facebook.

FACILITIES
The club trains twice each week using the University sports facilities at Manor Road. Members are encouraged to use the University’s fitness classes and facilities to reduce the risk of injury and increase personal performance whilst playing.

All home matches are played at the University pitches on Stoughton Road, Oadby.

EQUIPMENT
Playing strips and balls are supplied by the club. Responsibility for club equipment lies with the committee, team captains and the club captain.

Each player is expected to provide his own personal equipment such as boots and shin guards to the standard required by the FA. Any player not providing the correct equipment may be barred from playing.

MATCH OFFICIALS
All match officials, whether qualified or not, will be treated with respect and courtesy by all club members.

Players will abide by the decisions made by match officials during play.

Clarification of any decision should be requested through the team captain.

Any player who abuses a match official, either verbally or physically, will be subject to the disciplinary processes of the club, and the regional authority for the sport.

Fines imposed by the County FA will be the responsibility of the individual player.

DISCIPLINE
Off the field, discipline will be dealt with by the club officers.

INSURANCE & SAFETY
Basic personal injury insurance is provided with the University’s student Sportscard which is a pre-requisite for joining the club.

Warm-ups at training and matches are essential for reducing the risk of muscular injury.

Each team must provide a basic first-aid kit which is the responsibility of the team captain. Players must notify the team captain of any shortages or items used.

TRIALS
Trials will be held in the early stages of the Autumn Term at Stoughton Road, Oadby, and will be overseen and managed the Universities two Coaching Staff and the ULFC Club Captain.

SQUAD AND MATCHDAY TEAM SELECTION
Each ULFC Squad will be discussed and agreed by the two Universities Coaching staff and each individual team captain on a weekly basis.

**COACHING STAFF**
All coaching staff will be treated with respect and courtesy by all club members. Players will abide by the decisions made by the coaching staff during training and matches.

Any player who abuses a coach, either verbally or physically, will be subject to the disciplinary processes of the club, and the regional authority for the sport.

A first aid kit must be available at every training session and match. This will be the responsibility of the club captain or a club officer appointed by him.
In the event of injury, assistance must be sought from the sports hall manager, or from the duty porter.
Any player requiring immediate hospital treatment must be accompanied to the hospital.

**SPORTSCARD**
Every member must have a valid Sportscard which includes the Sports Association's sports injury insurance.

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**DISCIPLINE**
Any member whose behaviour on or off the court puts others at risk or brings the club into disrepute will receive a verbal warning from the club captain that any further incident will result in suspension or expulsion from the club.