



Maidstone Football Club:

Modern Slavery (Anti slavery and human trafficking)

Modern slavery is a crime and a violation of fundamental human rights. It takes various forms, such as slavery, servitude, forced and compulsory labour and human trafficking, all of which have in common the deprivation of a person's liberty by another in order to exploit them for personal or commercial gain.

Maidstone Football Club has a zero-tolerance approach to modern slavery, and we are committed to acting ethically and with integrity in all our business dealings and relationships and to implementing and enforcing effective systems and controls to ensure modern slavery is not taking place anywhere in our own business or in any of our supply chains.

The Club is also committed to ensuring there is transparency in our own business and in our approach to tackling modern slavery throughout our supply chains, consistent with our disclosure obligations under the Modern Slavery Act 2015. We expect the same high standards from all of our contractors, suppliers and other business partners. As part of our contracting processes, we include specific prohibitions against the use of forced, compulsory or trafficked labour, or anyone held in slavery or servitude, whether adults or children, and we expect that our suppliers will hold their own suppliers to the same high standards.

SCOPE/TO WHOM THIS POLICY APPLIES

This policy applies to all persons working or volunteering for MFC or on our behalf in any capacity, including employees at all levels, contracted players, agency workers, seconded workers, volunteers, members, agents, contractors, external consultants, third-party representatives, and business partners.

This policy does not form part of any employee's contract of employment and MRFC may amend it at any time.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR POLICY

The Committee has overall responsibility for ensuring this policy with all stakeholders; and all staff, members and volunteers have day to day responsibility to ensure compliance with our legal and ethical obligation.

Management at all levels are responsible for ensuring those reporting to them understand and comply with this policy and are given adequate and regular training on it and the issue of modern slavery in supply chains.

COMPLIANCE WITH THIS POLICY

Members must understand, and comply with this policy. The prevention, detection and reporting of modern slavery in any part of our business or supply chains is the responsibility of all those working for us or under our control. You are required to avoid any activity that might lead to, or suggest, a breach of this policy.

You must notify the Committee as soon as possible if you believe or suspect that a conflict with this policy has occurred or may occur in the future.

If you are unsure about whether a particular act, the treatment of workers more generally, or their working conditions within any tier of our supply chains constitutes any of the various forms of modern slavery, raise it with your manager or the Committee.

We aim to encourage openness and will support anyone who raises genuine concerns in good faith under this policy, even if they turn out to be mistaken. MFC is committed to ensuring no one suffers any detrimental treatment as a result of reporting in good faith their suspicion that slavery of whatever form is or may be taking place in any part of our own business or in any of our supply chains. Detrimental treatment includes dismissal, disciplinary action, threats or other unfavorable treatment connected with raising a concern. If you believe that you have suffered any such treatment, you should inform the compliance officer immediately. If the matter is not remedied, speak with a member of the Committee.

COMMUNICATION AND AWARENESS OF THIS POLICY

Training on this policy, and on the risk our Club faces from modern slavery in its supply chains, will be provided as necessary. Our zero-tolerance approach to modern slavery must be communicated to all suppliers and contractors at the outset of our business relationship with them and reinforced as appropriate thereafter.

Any member or employee who breaches this policy will face disciplinary action, which could result in dismissal. MFC may terminate our relationship with other parties working on our behalf if they breach this policy.