

# ONLINE SAFETY GUIDANCE

**It's essential that everyone involved in our great game makes informed decisions about how they use the internet, social media, mobile phone and email communications – particularly when children and young people are involved.**

This information is a quick overview of what you should make sure your players know when being active online.

## KEEPING DETAILS PRIVATE

**Do your players understand the importance of keeping information private?**

Are they aware that by uploading a video or photo online, they may actually be sharing private information without realising? For example, have they ever uploaded a photo or video with the following in it:

- Wearing their club shirt?
- Showing their local area in the background, perhaps inadvertently including street names or house numbers?

By sharing photos described above, a follower might be able to work out what club they attend, where they live and their date of birth.

## 5 TOP TIPS

**Remind your players of these 5 tips when being active online**

- 1.** 'Think before you post'- Content posted online can last forever and can be shared publicly by anyone
- 2.** Report any issues to an adult or someone you trust. If something happens that upset's you online, it's never too late to tell someone
- 3.** Don't give into pressure- Once you've pressed send you can't take it back.
- 4.** Respect the law: use reliable services and know how to legally access the music, film and TV you want.
- 5.** Acknowledge your sources: use trustworthy content and remember to give credit when using others' work/ideas.

