





LET'S MAKE FOOTBALL WELCOMING OF LESBIAN, **GAY. BISEXUAL & TRANSGENDER (LGBT) PEOPLE**

THINK ABOUT THE LANGUAGE YOU USE

Using the word 'gay' to mean something is bad can make gay people and their friends feel put down or uncomfortable.

Saying someone is 'gay', 'queer', a 'poof', a 'faggot' (or any other anti-LGBT term) just because they do something wrong on a football pitch or are having a bad game is offensive and disrespectful.

Saying men are 'playing like girls' or 'like women not only offends women and girls, but can make LGBT supporters and players feel uncomfortable too. Calling women and girls who are involved in football 'lesbians' as a term of abuse is stereotyping and offensive.

CHALLENGE ANTI-LGBT LANGUAGE AND BEHAVIOUR FROM OTHERS

If you feel safe, always challenge language or behaviour that puts LGBT people down. Remember, saving nothing only allows prejudice and discrimination to get worse.

REPORT IT

Targeting people because of their sexual orientation or gender identity is against the law and against the Rules of the Game. You can report any anti-LGBT behaviour in football via Kick It Out by:

- Calling 0800 169 9414 (freephone)
- Downloading the app for your android or apple device
- Visiting the website www.kickitout.org
- Tweeting @kickitout or @kickitoutreport
- Sending a private message to www.facebook.com/kickitoutofficial/

Find out more at www.footballvhomophobia.com

