

Supporters warned about behaviour at Edinburgh derby



With emotions running high, Hearts and Hibs have both warned supporters that robust action will be taken by Police Scotland against anyone partaking in unacceptable conduct during Sunday's match against Hibs at Tynecastle.

Unacceptable behaviour comes in such forms as foul and abusive language, threatening behaviour, comments about a person's race, religion, creed, nationality or sexual orientation, damage within the stadium and general anti-social behaviour.

Home and away fans attending the game are also urged not to take flares or any other pyrotechnics into the ground.

Smoke set off in a football stadium is not safe and may adversely affect persons who suffer from breathing disorders. In recent events flares have also inadvertently caused seats to burn and may obviously have serious consequences if flags are ignited.

Police are treating this issue very seriously and any persons caught with flares in the ground or attempting to bring them into the stadium will be arrested.

Both clubs view the introduction of smoke to any ground as unsafe, a very serious health and safety matter and any persons identified as responsible may be subject to club sanctions.

Hibs have also reminded their fans that the club will be held responsible for any damage (breakages, graffiti, stickers) caused inside Tynecastle.