



Codes of Conduct

CODES OF CONDUCT IT IS A CONDITION OF ENTRY INTO THE STADIUM THAT YOU ABIDE BY THE CODES OF CONDUCT LISTED IN THIS DOCUMENT. FOR THEIR OWN SAFETY AND THE SAFETY OF OTHERS, IT IS A CONDITION OF ENTRY THAT NON PARTICIPATING YOUNG CHILDREN BE ACCOMPANIED OR ADEQUATELY SUPERVISED BY A PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN AT ALL TIMES WHILE ON THESE PREMISES. FAILURE TO ACT ACCORDING TO THE CODES OF CONDUCT MAY RESULT IN YOUR REMOVAL FROM THE STADIUM AND/OR EXCLUSION.

PLAYERS

- I will always play by the rules
- I will never argue with an official. If I disagree with the decision I will inform the captain, coach or manager during a break or after the competition
- I will control my temper. I understand that verbal abuse of officials, sledging other players and deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent are not acceptable or permitted behaviours in any sport
- I will not use bad language, nor will I harass players, coaches, officials, administrators or other spectators
- I will work equally hard for myself and / or my team
- I will be a good sport and applaud all good plays whether they are made by my team or the opposition
- I will treat all players in my sport as I like to be treated. I will not bully or take unfair advantage of another competitor
- I will cooperate with my coach, team mates and opponents
- I will display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat
- I will participate for my own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please parents and coaches
- I will not arrive at the venue intoxicated or drink alcohol at junior matches
- I will respect the rights, dignity and worth of people involved in the game, regardless their gender, ability, religion, cultural background or impairment
- I will thank the opposition and officials at the end of the game
- I will comply with anti-doping policies.
- I will not participate in any forms of violent, threatening or abusive behaviour
- I realise that there are consequences for breaches of these Codes of Conduct, some of which are severe

SPECTATORS

- I will applaud good performances from each team and congratulate all players regardless of the outcome. I will respect the referee's decision and if there is disagreement, follow the appropriate procedure in order to address the concerns.



- I will remember children play sport for fun. They are not playing for the entertainment of spectators and are not miniature professionals. I will be positive and will never ridicule or scold a child for making a mistake during competition.
- I will condemn the use of violence in any form, be it by spectators, coaches or players.
- I will show respect for the opponents as without them there would be no game.
- I will encourage players to obey the rules and decisions of officials. I will demonstrate appropriate social behaviour by not using foul threatening or abusive language or behaviour or, harassing players, coaches, officials or spectators. I will respect the rights, dignity and worth of people involved in the game, regardless of their gender, ability, religion cultural background or impairment
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PARENTS

- I won't pressure my child in any way - I know that this is their game not mine
- I will not use bad language, nor will I harass players, coaches, officials, administrators or other spectators
- I will encourage my child to play within the rules and respect officials' and coaches' decisions - no matter what
- I will teach my child to respect the efforts of their opponents
- I will remember that children learn best by example, so I will applaud good play and performances by both my child's team and their opponents
- I will give positive comments that motivate and encourage continued effort
- I will focus on my child's and their team's efforts and performance - not the score
- I will thank the coaches, officials and other volunteers who give their time to conduct the event for my child
- I will help when asked by coach, official or administrator
- I won't publicly criticise my child's performance after the game
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COACHES

- I will remember that winning is only one of the many reasons for a player's participation along with physical exercise, learning, socialising and enjoyment
- I will never ridicule or yell at players for making mistakes or not winning
- I will be reasonable in my demands on players' time, energy and enthusiasm
- I will operate within the rules and spirit of the game and teach my players to the same



- I will ensure that the time players spend with me is a positive experience. All players are deserving of equal attention and opportunities
- I will not use bad language nor will I harass players, officials, spectators, administrators or other coaches
- I will ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of all players
- I will display control, respect and professionalism to all involved with sport including opponents, referees, coaches, officials, administrators, the media, parents and spectators. I will encourage my players to do the same.
- I will show concern and caution towards sick and injured players and follow the advice of a qualified medical practitioner to determine whether an injured player is ready to recommence training or competition
- I will obtain appropriate qualifications and keep up-to-date with the latest coaching practices and principles of growth and development of young players
- I will refrain from any form of sexual harassment towards people I come into contact with
- I will not arrive at the venue intoxicated or drink alcohol at junior matches
- I will not allow or be involved in the unlawful supply of alcohol
- I will respect the rights, dignity and worth of people involved in the game, regardless their gender, ability, religion, cultural background or impairment
- I will promote adherence to anti-doping policies
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OFFICIALS

- I will place the safety and welfare of players above all else
- I will show concern and caution towards sick and injured players
- I will give all players a, "fair go" regardless of the gender, ability, cultural background or religion
- I will be impartial, consistent, objective and courteous in making decisions
- I will accept responsibility for my actions and decisions
- I will condemn unsporting behaviour and promote respect the individuality of players
- I will avoid any situation which may lead to or be construed as a conflict of interest
- I will be a positive role model in behaviour and personal appearance and ensure my comments are truthful, positive and constructive
- I will be a good sport as I understand that actions speak louder than words
- I will always respect, remain loyal to and support other officials
- I will keep up-to-date with the latest, "rules of the game", trends and principles of their application
- I will refrain from any form of personal abuse towards anyone I come into contact with whilst in the role of an official



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ADMINISTRATORS

- I will create pathways for players to participate not just as a player but also as a coach, referee, administrator etc
- I will ensure that rules, equipment, length of games and training schedules are modified to suit the age, ability and maturity of players
- I will ensure quality supervision and instruction for players
- I will remember that players participate for their enjoyment and benefit. I will not over emphasise awards
- I will impress on coaches and officials the need to demonstrate appropriate behaviour and skills development, and help to improve the standards of coaching and officiating
- I will ensure that everyone involved in sport emphasises fair play, and not winning at all costs
- I will distribute a Code of Conduct to players, coaches, officials and parents and encourage them to follow it
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