



## **Code of Conduct – Players and Family/Friends**

- Play by the rules.
- Do not argue with or abuse the match official. If you disagree, have your captain or coach approach the match official during a break in play or at the conclusion of the match.
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials or other players, deliberately distracting or provoking another person is not acceptable or permitted in any sport. Any fines that are a result of this type of behaviour will be passed onto the respective family.
- Maintain your focus and work hard for yourself and your team, be a good sport and be prepared to acknowledge good play whether it is from your team or the opposition.
- Treat all players as you would like to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully or take unfair advantage of another player.
- Cooperate with your coach, teammates and opponents. Without them, there would be no competition.
- Remove all jewellery prior to training and match play, as it is a hazard to you and those around you.
- Do not accept or use any banned or unauthorised drug/s, including the consumption of alcohol at any time.
- Encourage all children to participate, do not force them.
- Focus on the child's efforts and performance rather than the result of the activity (that is, winning or losing). Remember that children learn best by example, so applaud good play by both teams.
- Encourage children to always participate according to the rules.
- Never ridicule, yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game.
- Support all efforts to remove racial and religious vilification, verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.
- Respect the match official's decisions and teach your child to do likewise.
- Show respect and appreciation to club volunteers, including coaches, officials and administrators. Ensure any issues are raised through the correct channels.
- Do not smoke or consume alcohol within 10m of the clubrooms or within 10m of the playing pitch.
- Show respect for your child's coach by not coaching from the sidelines.
- All spectators must stand 2m from the pitch boundary at all times during game time.
- I will attend all training sessions and games with my child. The club will not be deemed as a 'carer' facility.