



CODE OF CONDUCT

PARENTS & SPECTATORS

- Remember that children participate in sport for their employment – not yours
- Encourage children to play according to the rules – settle disagreements without resorting to hostility or violence
- Never ridicule or yell at a child – for making a mistake or not winning
- Respect officials' decisions – encourage children to do likewise
- Show appreciation for coaches, officials and administrators – remember they are usually volunteers
- Allow the coach to do his/her job and refrain from coaching from the sidelines
- Applaud good performance and efforts – from all individuals and teams
- Congratulate all participants – regardless of the game's outcome
- Condemn the use of violence, verbal abuse or vilification in any form – regardless of whether it is by spectators, coaches, officials or players
- Support all policies and practices (lead by example). This includes responsible alcohol and drug use and support of child safe strategies
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person – regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion
- Ensure you are aware and follow the correct processes to follow if you have an issue or complaint – do not perpetuate issues with gossip or general criticism