



## CODE OF CONDUCT

### MANDATORY & ENFORCEABLE CODES OF CONDUCT FOR COACHES, PLAYERS, PARENTS, SUPPORTERS AND OFFICIALS

The Club Code of Conduct applies to all of our officials, volunteers, members and supporters.

#### COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT

Coaches are required to sign the AFL Code of Conduct as part of the Level 1 Accreditation requirement. All coaches must be accredited to coach in our league.

#### PLAYERS CODE OF CONDUCT

We acknowledge that;

- Play by the rules – the rules of your club and the laws of the game.
- Never argue with an umpire or other official – without these people you can't play football.
- Control your temper – verbal abuse of officials and sledging other players, doesn't help you enjoy or win any games.
- Be a team player – it's a team game, treat it that way.
- Treat all players as you would like to be treated – fairly.
- Co-operate with your coach, the umpires and teammates.
- Play for your own enjoyment and to improve your skills.
- Don't use ugly remarks based on race, religion, gender or ability – you'll let down your coach, teammates and family if you do, and many such comments are actually illegal.

#### PARENTS, SUPPORTERS & OFFICIALS CODE OF CONDUCT

- Remember that you are there for the participants to enjoy the game.
- Encourage participation, but don't force it.
- Teach that enjoyment is more important than winning.
- Never ridicule mistakes or losses – supporters are there to support not downgrade.
- Lead by example and respect all players, coaches, umpires and spectators – physical or verbal abuse will not be tolerated.
- Recognise all volunteers who are giving up their valuable time.
- Never publicly criticise umpires – raise personal concerns with club officials in private.
- Don't use ugly remarks based on race, religion, gender or ability – you'll let down your family and yourself if you do, and many such comments are actually illegal.