



Fawkner Netball Club

Code of Conduct

PARENTS / SPECTATORS CODE OF CONDUCT

- Remember that children play sport for their own enjoyment.
- Encourage children to participate rather than trying to force them.
- Focus on the child's efforts rather than on winning or losing.
- Encourage children to play according to the rules and umpires' decisions and to settle disagreements without hostility or violence.
- Remember that children learn best by example.
- Appreciate good performances and skilful play by all participants.
- Support efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.
- Respect official's decisions and teach children to do likewise.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
- Show appreciation for volunteer coaches, officials and administrators, without them your child could not participate.
- If you disagree with an official raise the issue through the appropriate channels.
- Demonstrate appropriate social behaviour by not using foul language, harassing players, coaches or officials.

PLAYERS CODE OF CONDUCT

- Play by the rules and in the spirit of the game.
- Never argue with an umpire. If you disagree, discuss the matter with your coach or team manager after the game.
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials, umpires or other players, or provoking an opponent is NOT acceptable.
- Work equally hard for yourself and your team. Your team's performance will benefit and so will you.
- Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays whether they are by your team, opponent or another team.
- 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, team mates and opponents. Without them there would be no competition.
- Play for "the fun of it" and not just to please parents and coaches.
- Be prepared to take responsibility for your actions.

COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT

- I will remember that players participate for enjoyment and winning is only part of the fun.
- I will never ridicule or yell at players for making a mistake or not winning.
- I will be reasonable with my demands on player's time, energy and enthusiasm.
- I will operate within the rules and spirit of the game and teach my players to do 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 avoid overplaying the talented players and understand that the average players need and deserve equal time.
- I will not use bad language, nor will I harass players, umpires, parents, spectators, officials or other coaches.
- I will respect the rights, dignity and worth of all people involved in the game, regardless of their gender, ability or cultural background.