

RESPECT CODE OF CONDUCT

PARENTS & JUNIOR PLAYERS

Everyone has a role to play in ensuring that Football is free from bullying, verbal and physical abuse and that it is played in a fair and safe environment. As leaders and role models, parents and carers must model the behaviour that they expect their children to follow. Therefore it is essential that **YOU** play your part and follow the **Respect** Code of Conduct at all times.

CODE OF CONDUCT: PARENTS & CARERS

- 1. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants at all times.
- Never ridicule, criticise or unduly scold a child for making a mistake. They do not play intending to make mistakes.
- 3. Encourage your child to participate for their own interest and enjoyment.
- 4. Encourage your child to always play by the rules.
- 5. Focus on developing skills, playing the game and doing their best is what they should be trying to achieve. Take the emphasis away from winning.
- 6. Set an example by always behaving well. Applaud good play by all players and teams.
- Accept decisions made by referees. They are trying to do their best.
- 8. Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical altercations at matches.
- 9. Show appreciation for volunteer coaches, officials and administrators.
- 10. Follow the 'Play by the Rules' guidelines at www.playbytherules.net.au

I understand that I have a responsibility to abide by this Code of Conduct and accept that sanctions, including the following, may be imposed if I do not.

- 1. Be required to apologise to the person or people I have offended.
- 2. Be required to attend a meeting with club officials.
- 3. Be counselled, suspended or expelled by the club.
- 4. Appear at a disciplinary hearing and receive sanctions imposed by the local association and/or Football Federation SA.



JUNIORS PLAYERS

All players want to enjoy Football and to play in a fair and safe environment. As players we all have a responsibility to ensure that this occurs for everyone.

CODE OF CONDUCT: JUNIOR PLAYERS

- 1. Respect all participants at all times.
- 2. Respect and follow the directions of your team officials and referees.
- 3. Play to the best of your ability in a fair manner.
- 4. Never yell at, ridicule or criticise other participants. They are all trying their best.
- 5. Be respectful whether you win or lose. Shake hands with the other team and referee at the end of the game.
- 6. If you fee unsafe or uncomfortable at your club speak to someone you trust.

I understand that I must follow this Code of Conduct and that if I don't I may be...

- 1. Required to apologise to the person or people I have offended.
- 2. Spoken to by the coach or club.
- 3. Prevented from playing.
- 4. Suspended from all club activities.
- 5. Asked to leave the club.
- 6. Required to attend a disciplinary hearing and may have sanctions imposed on me by the local association and/or Football Federation SA.



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I have read and understood the Code of Conduct and agree to abide by its terms:	
Signed Parent/Carer	Signed Player
Print Name	Print Name
Date	Date



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