

	RMFL POL01 ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY	
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Signed Michelle Hill (Secretary)

## RMFL ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY

River Murray Football league view very seriously abuse of officials in sport and has adopted the following policy to comply with direction from the SANFL to cover the "abuse of officials" in sport.

This policy cover Club Officials, Coaches, Players and Supporters respect for Umpires and Officials of the League and vice versa.

This policy is aimed at making football officials more comfortable in their role, knowing there will be support for the role they are undertaking.

No one is above this.

Football is a partnership comprising coaches, players, umpire's officials, families and supporters.

We should at all times be privileged to be part of this partnership and we have certain expectations of all participants whilst observing the spirit of our great game.

- no coach, player, club official or supporter will abuse or degrade an umpire or league official
- no coach, player, club official or supporter will take part in an exchange of heated words or debate with an umpire or league official during or after a game.
- no coach, player club official or supporter will be confrontational towards an umpire or league official
- every coach, player, official or supporter will show a strong level of personal restraint and control
- any club president, coach, team manager or club official observing a member of his "club" in this type of situation is to act immediately to remove the offender from this situation.
- offender's will be penalised under the constitution and or the rules of the River Murray Football League Inc.
- any person who is deemed to be a repeat offender will be unable to participate in any official capacity.

## ALL COACHES, PLAYERS, OFFICIALS, PARENTS AND SUPPORTERS WILL ADHERE TO THESE INSTRUCTIONS.

Penalties may range from a severe reprimand to a season ban with fines up to \$1,000.00 as determined by the RMFL League Executive and/or the RMFL tribunal.

All appeals will be heard by "The Appeals Committee" provided they are lodged with the RMFL Secretary within seven days from the date the suspension was issued along with \$1,000.