

## Codes Of Conduct

Football Australia in conjunction with the Australian Sport Commission and Active Australia have developed Codes of Behaviour for the promotion of Fair Play in Football. These codes are fully endorsed by Football NSW and have been produced to promote fair play and appropriate behaviour by players, coaches, parents, spectators, officials, administrators, teachers and the media.

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### Social Media Policy

Social Media is an efficient way to not only provide information at short notice but also promote our club, player and sponsors. Any material posted or linked to Woonona Football Club social networks that does not comply with Football NSW Social Media Policy will be immediately removed and the person/s responsible for posting such material will be banned from our social networks alike. When posting to social media platforms you must:

- Not post any material that may bring the Woonona Football Club into disrepute
  - not comment or post documentation that are not publically available
  - not make, share offensive comments about the Woonona Football Club or affiliated partners/sponsors or members.
  - not use the brand, logo, images or other intellectual property to endorse products causes or opinions without prior consent form the Management Committee.
  - For further information please click here to read the Football NSW Social Media Policy or contact a club committee member.
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### Official's Code of Fair Play

- Give all children an equal chance to participate.
  - Ensure that rules, equipment, length of games and training schedules suit the age, ability and maturity of the players.
  - Provide quality supervision and instruction for players.
  - Remember that children participate for enjoyment.
  - Don't over emphasise awards.
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- Help coaches and officials highlight appropriate behaviours and skill development, and help improve the standards of coaching and officiating.
  - Ensure everyone involved in sport emphasises fair play, not winning at all costs.
  - Give a Code of Conduct sheet to officials, coaches, players, parents and spectators and encourage them to abide by them.
  - Think before you speak. Don't say anything that could disadvantage anyone within your club or association.
  - Compliment and encourage all players.
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### **Player's Code of Fair Play**

- Play by the rules.
  - Never argue with an official. If you disagree, have your captain, coach or manager talk to the official during a break or after the game.
  - Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials or other players, deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent is not acceptable or permitted in any sport.
  - Work equally hard for yourself and/or your team. Your team's performance will benefit, and so will you.
  - Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays whether they are on your team, or the other 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 playing, and not just to please parents or coaches
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### **Coaches' Code of Fair Play**

- Remember that children participate for pleasure and that winning is only part of the fun.
  - Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing.
  - Be reasonable in your demands on young players' time, energy and enthusiasm.
  - Teach your players to always follow the rules, which are unbreakable.
  - Whenever possible, group your players to ensure that everyone has a reasonable chance of success.
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- Avoid overplaying the talented players.
  - The just-average need and deserve equal time.
  - Ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of the players.
  - Develop team respect for the ability of opponents and for the judgement of officials and opposing coaches.
  - Follow the advice of a physician when determining when an injured player is ready to recommence training or competition.
  - Keep up to date with the latest coaching practices and the principles of growth and development of children.
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### **Parents and Spectators Code of Fair Play**

- Encourage children to participate, do not force them.
- Remember that organised sport is for children's enjoyment, not yours.
- Focus on the child's efforts and performance rather than winning or losing.
- Encourage players to always participate by the rules and an official's decision.
- Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game.
- Positive comments are motivational.
- Remember that children learn best by example.
- Applaud good performance and efforts from each team. Congratulate all participants upon their performance regardless of the game's outcome.
- Respect official's decisions and teach children to do likewise. Respect for your team's opponents – without them there would be no game.
- Show appreciation of volunteer coaches, officials and administrators. Without them your child could not participate.
- Support all efforts to remove all verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.
- Do not use foul language or harass players, coaches or officials.
- Condemn the use of violence in any form, be it by spectators, coaches, officials or players.

### **Refereeing Code of Fair Play**

- Parents may occasionally be asked to referee a roll ball match or “run the line” for a graded match, please observe the refereeing code of fair play.
- Be consistent, objective and courteous when making decisions. Condemn unsporting behaviour and promote respect for all opponents.
- Emphasise the spirit of the game rather than errors.
- Be a good sport yourself. Actions speak louder than words.