

CODE OF CONDUCT

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Administrators

- 1. I will provide opportunities for players to be involved in planning, leadership, evaluation and decision-making related to their activity
- 2. I will create pathways for players to participate not just as a player but also as a coach, referee, administrator etc.
- 3. I will ensure that rules, equipment, length of games and training schedules are modified to suit the age, ability and maturity level of players
- 4. I will ensure quality supervision and instruction for players
- 5. I will remember that players participate for their enjoyment and benefit. I will not overemphasise awards
- 6. I will help coaches and officials highlight appropriate behaviour and skill development, and help to improve the standards of coaching and officiating
- 7. I will ensure that everyone involved in sport emphasises fair play, and not winning at all costs
- 8. I will distribute a code of conduct to players, coaches, officials and parents and encourage them to follow it
- 9. I will not arrive at the venue intoxicated or drink alcohol at junior matches
- 10. I will not allow the unlawful supply of alcohol at training, games or club functions
- 11. I will not use bad language, nor will I harass players, coaches, officials or spectators
- 12. I will respect the rights, dignity and worth of all people involved in the game, regardless of their gender, ability or cultural background
- 13. I will promote adherence to anti-doping, smoking and alcohol policies outlined by the club's governing bodies (Bathurst District Football, Football NSW and Football Federation of Australia)

Non-Compliance

- a direction that the individual make verbal and/or written apology;
- counselling of the individual to address behaviour;
- withdrawal of any awards, placings, records, achievements bestowed in any tournaments, activities or events held or sanctioned by our club;
- suspension or termination of membership, participation or engagement in a role or activity;
- de-registration of accreditation for a period of time or permanently;
- a fine; or
- any other form of discipline that our club considers reasonable and appropriate.



Officials

- 1. I will place the safety and welfare of players above all else
- 2. I will show concern and caution towards sick and injured players
- 3. I will give all players a 'fair go' regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion
- 4. I will be impartial, consistent, objective and courteous when making decisions
- 5. I will accept responsibility for my actions and decisions
- 6. I will condemn unsporting behaviour and promote respect for the individuality of players
- 7. I will avoid any situations which may lead to or be construed as a conflict of interest
- 8. I will be a positive role model in behaviour and personal appearance and ensure my comments are positive and supportive
- 9. I will be a good sport as I understand that actions speak louder than words
- 10. I will always respect, remain loyal to and support other officials
- 11. I will keep up to date with the latest 'Laws of the Game', trends and principles of their application
- 12. I will refrain from any form of personal abuse towards players or other officials
- 13. I will refrain from any form of sexual harassment towards players or other officials
- 14. I will not arrive at the venue intoxicated or drink alcohol at junior matches
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Coaches

- 1. I will remember that players participate for enjoyment and winning is only part of the fun
- 2. I will never ridicule or yell at players for making a mistake or not winning
- 3. I will be reasonable in my demands on players' time, energy and enthusiasm
- 4. I will operate within the rules and spirit of the game and teach my players to do the same
- 5. I will ensure that the time players spend with me is a positive experience. All players are deserving of equal attention and opportunities
- 6. I will avoid overplaying the talented players and understand that the average players need and deserve equal time
- 7. I will not use bad language nor will I harass players, officials, spectators or other coaches
- 8. I will ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of all players
- 9. I will display control, respect and professionalism to all involved with the sport including opponents, referees, coaches, officials, administrators, the media, parents and spectators. I will encourage my players to do the same.
- 10. I will show concern and caution toward sick and injured players and follow the advice of a physician when determining whether an injured player is ready to recommence training or competition
- 11. I will obtain appropriate qualifications and keep up to date with the latest coaching practices and the principles of growth and development of young players
- 12. I will not arrive at the venue intoxicated or drink alcohol at junior matches
- 13. I will not allow the unlawful supply of alcohol at training, games or club functions
- 14. I will respect the rights, dignity and worth of all people involved in the game, regardless of their gender, ability or cultural background
- 15. I will promote adherence to anti-doping, smoking and alcohol policies outlined by the club's governing bodies (Bathurst District Football, Football NSW and Football Federation of Australia)

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Players found to have behaved inappropriately, and who have agreed to abide by our club's Code of Conduct, may face sanctions, including:

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Parents

- 1. I won't pressure my child in any way I know that this is their game not mine
- 2. I will not use bad language, nor will I harass players, coaches, officials or other spectators
- 3. I will encourage my child to play within the rules and respect officials' and coaches' decisions no matter what
- 4. I will teach my child to respect the efforts of their opponents
- 5. I will remember that children learn best by example so I will applaud good plays/performances by both my child's team and their opponents
- 6. I will give positive comments that motivate and encourage continued effort
- 7. I will focus on my child's efforts and performance not the score
- 8. I will thank the coaches, officials and other volunteers who give their time to conduct the event for my child
- 9. I will help when asked by a coach or official
- 10. I won't criticise or ridicule my child's performance after the game
- 11. I will not arrive at the venue intoxicated or drink alcohol at junior matches
- 12. I will respect the rights, dignity and worth of all people involved in the game, regardless of their gender, ability or cultural background.

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Players

- 1. I will always play by the rules
- 2. I will never argue with an official. If I disagree with a decision, I will inform the captain, coach or manager during a break or after the competition
- I will control my temper. I understand that verbal abuse of officials and sledging other
 players and deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent are not acceptable or
 permitted behaviours in any sport
- 4. I will work equally hard for myself and/or my team
- 5. I will be a good sport and applaud all good plays whether they are made by my team or the opposition
- 6. I will treat all players in my sport as I like to be treated.
- 7. I will not bully or take unfair advantage of another competitor
- 8. I will cooperate with my coach, team-mates and opponents
- 9. I will display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat
- 10. I will participate for my own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please parents and coaches
- 11. I will not arrive at the venue intoxicated or drink alcohol at junior matches
- 12. I will respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion
- 13. I will thank the opposition and officials at the end of the game
- 14. I will comply with anti-doping, smoking and alcohol policies outlined by the club's governing bodies (Bathurst District Football, Football NSW and Football Federation of Australia)

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