



CODES OF CONDUCT

PLAYERS' CODE OF CONDUCT

This code of conduct shall apply to all participants involved in the tournament. Any breach thereof shall be subject to disciplinary action by FV with possible expulsion from the premises and not be allowed in future events or programs.

- *Winning at all costs isn't everything; at this age learning is more important than winning.*
- *I will only listen to my coaches' instructions during training and games. No one else.*
- *I will not engage in the use of crude, foul or abusive language that may be deemed offensive or engage in any conduct detrimental to the image of the game when on or off the field.*
- *I will never argue with the referee and/or assistant referees regarding decisions they make.*
- *I will treat participants, officials and spectators with respect.*
- *I will play by the laws of the game.*
- *I will cooperate with my coach, teammates, referee's and officials at all times.*
- *I will not use any banned substance or drugs of dependence throughout my involvement in the tournament.*
- *I will display good sportsmanship at all times.*
- *I will play for the fun of it and not just to please parents and coaches.*

PARENTS' CODE OF CONDUCT

This code of conduct shall apply to parents and guardians. Any breach thereof shall be subject to disciplinary action by FV, may be expelled from the premises and not be allowed into future events or programs.

- *Do not Coach your child during training sessions and games. That's what the coaches are there for; it sends mixed messages to the players creating confusion.*
 - *Do not interfere with training sessions, stay clear of training areas.*
 - *Cheer on and encourage the players at all times, even the opposition, applaud good football all-round.*
 - *Winning at all costs isn't everything, we're here to develop the players, and at this age learning is more important than winning.*
 - *Remember that children play sport for their enjoyment, not yours.*
 - *Encourage children to participate, do not force them.*
 - *Focus on the child's efforts and performance rather than winning or losing.*
 - *Encourage children to always participate according to the rules.*
 - *Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game.*
 - *Remember that children learn best by example, applaud good play by all teams.*
 - *Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.*
 - *Respect officials' decisions and teach children to do likewise.*
 - *Show appreciation of coaches, officials and administrators. Without them, your child could not participate.*
 - *Respect the facilities that are being used in partnership with FV.*
 - *Keep clear from technical areas, benches and change rooms during games and tournament.*
- This is the ideal time for coaches to teach players without any interference*

COACHES' CODE OF CONDUCT

Any breach thereof shall be subject to disciplinary action by FV, be expelled from the premises and not be allowed to any future events or programs

- *Remember that players participate for fun and winning is only part of the fun*
- *Never ridicule or yell at players for making mistakes or for not winning games*
- *Be reasonable in your demands on a player's time, energy and enthusiasm*
- *Always operate within the rules and spirit of the game and teach your players to do the same*
- *Ensure that the time players spend with you is a positive experience. All players are deserving of equal attention and opportunities*
- *Avoid overplaying the talented player, the less developed player deserves equal time*
- *Ensure that the equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of all players*
- *Display control, respect and professionalism to all involved with the sport. This includes opponents, coaches, officials, administrators, the media, parents and spectators. Encourage players to do the same*
- *Show concern and caution towards sick and injured players. Follow the advice of a doctor when determining whether an injured player is ready to recommence training or competition games*
- *Obtain appropriate coaching qualifications and keep up to date with the latest coaching practices and the principles of growth development and conditioning of junior players*
- *Any physical contact by the coach with a player should be appropriate to the situation and necessary for the player's skill development.*
- *Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every player regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion*
- *Refrain from over coaching during games, let the players play and learn from their own mistakes*

SPECTATORS' CODE OF CONDUCT

Football Victoria's priority is to ensure all spectators are able to enjoy football in a safe and comfortable environment.

Accordingly, by entering this venue, you agree to be bound by the terms of this Spectator Code of Behaviour; the Venue Conditions of Entry and FV's Member Protection and Misconduct By-Laws. All persons present at an FV event shall:

- Respect the decisions of the Match Officials;*
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their race, colour, religion, language, ability, politics, sexual orientation, or national or ethnic origin;*
- Not engage in the use of violence in any form, whether it is by other Spectators, Team Officials (including coaches) or Players;*
- Not engage in discrimination, harassment or abuse in any form, including but not limited to the use of obscene or offensive language or gestures, the incitement of hatred or violence, or indecent or racist chanting;*
- Comply with FV's "Conditions of Entry" at all venues;*
- Not carry, light or throw flares or missiles (including on to the field of play or at other spectators);*
- Not enter the field of play or its surrounds without lawful authority; and*
- Conduct themselves in a manner that enhances, rather than injures, the reputation and goodwill of FV, Football Federation Australia (FFA) and football generally.*

Any person who does not comply with this Code or who in the opinion of FV causes or attempts to cause a disturbance may be asked to leave and may be prohibited from attending future Boys & Girls FC events.

FV reserves the right to investigate any breaches of this Spectator Code of Conduct and may issue penalties in accordance with its rules and policies as appropriate, including sanctions as per the Grievance, Discipline and Tribunal (GDT) By-Law, and the deduction of match points to the respective team, and finals eligibility.