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## **CODE OF CONDUCT TOWARDS UMPIRES;**

### ***Guidelines***

1. All officials and all registered players of the Spencer Gulf Football League must adhere to an ethical code of conduct in their interaction with umpires in their roles as, officials, players and spectators and interaction socially at SGL fixtures.
2. Breaches of the code of conduct would include derogatory, intimidating or abusive language towards the umpire/s, threatening violence, manhandling, physical violence and interfering with umpires property
3. All the clubs are asked and expected to monitor, promote and take appropriate action to ensure there is adherence to this code of conduct.
4. SGL have a degree of responsibility for their spectator's interaction with umpires, particularly on game day and are expected to take appropriate steps to modify excessively inappropriate language and behaviour.
5. Umpires are asked to formally report any breaches of this code of conduct to the offending person's league officials on the day.
6. In the event of an umpire not being able to easily obtain the name of the official, player or spectator, the umpire is to ask any office bearer of that club to provide this information. It is the responsibility of the club to find the name/s of the offender/s and report this to the umpire at the completion of the match.
  - 6.1 If after exhausting all efforts to find the name/s of the offending person/s, the club is unable to provide this information, the umpire will inform the league secretary, the umpire's coordinator and the chairman of the umpire's board in writing of the breach.
  - 6.2 The League will then follow up the complaint with the club concerned and advise the umpire's board of the outcome.

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