

Nhill & District Sporting Club

MANDATORY & ENFORCEABLE CODES OF CONDUCT FOR COACHES, PLAYERS, PARENTS, SUPPORTERS AND OFFICIALS

The Club Code of Conduct applies to all of our officials, volunteers, members and supporters. This code of conduct should be read in conjunction with any divisional code of conduct in place at the club.

COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT

All coaches are required as part of their accreditation to sign a code of conduct. They must abide by that code of conduct while officiating with the club.

PLAYERS CODE OF CONDUCT

- Play by the rules – the rules of your club and the laws of the game
- Never argue with an umpire or other official – without these people you can't play football
- Control your temper - verbal abuse of officials and sledging other players doesn't help you enjoy or win any games
- Be a team player – It's a team game, treat it that way
- Treat all players as you would like to be treated - fairly
- Co-operate with your coach, the umpires and team-mates
- Play for your own enjoyment & to improve your skills
- Don't use ugly remarks based on race, religion, gender or ability – you'll let down your coach, team-mates and family if you do – & many such comments are actually now illegal

PARENTS, SUPPORTERS & OFFICIALS CODE OF CONDUCT

- Remember that you are there for the participants to enjoy the game
- Encourage participation, but don't force it
- Teach that enjoyment is more important than winning
- Never ridicule mistakes or losses – supporters are there to support not downgrade
- Lead by example and respect all players, coaches, umpires and spectators – physical or verbal abuse will not be tolerated
- Recognise all volunteers who are giving up their valuable time
- Never publicly criticise umpires – raise personal concerns with club officials in private
- Don't use ugly remarks based on race, religion, gender or ability – you'll let down your family and yourself if you do – & many such comments are actually now illegal

The committee has adopted this code of conduct and will take any necessary disciplinary actions including the suspension and banning where warranted of any players, parents and or spectators for repeated or serious breaches of these Codes of Conduct.

Minuted at committee meeting dated 12th May 2008.