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Kyabram District League Coaches Code of Conduct

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The Kyabram District League (KDL) are proud to promote the high standard of Football and Netball which is displayed across our League every match round. The League understands that this quality standard can only be achieved through our talented players and coaches and the skills that they bring to each of our affiliated clubs.

While the League encourages emotion, passion and a want to win, it is clear in its behavioural expectations of its affiliated members, players and coaches. This *Coaches Code of Conduct* is provided to outline the clear rules and guidelines which KDL coaches must operate within if they wish to be a part of our great competition.

KDL Coaches must always;

- Be familiar with the official rules of Australian Rules Football and Netball and any changes or variations specific to the KDL.
- Maintain a coaching philosophy with sound coaching principals and expectations
- Provide a coaching plan at an appropriate level for their appointed grade and the ability of the club and its players
- Always present themselves respectfully during Club and League events and matches
- At all times avoid verbal and physical confrontation. Remember that you represent the League and your Club
- Ensure that appropriate language is used for the grade appointed to. The KDL have a zerotolerance approach to foul or offensive language in junior grades and strongly suggest this for senior grades as well
- Always follow the advice of your club Trainer or medical staff when it comes to a player's injury and timeline of return
- At all times respect the appointed umpires. Foul language, abuse and intimidatory tactics have no place within the KDL competition.
- Be aware and open to the differing needs and abilities of players at your club. This especially applies to the KDL junior grades of competition.



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- Provide a welcoming, inclusive and supportive environment for new players and members at your club
- At all times encourage participation. This is key for senior coaches dealing with a list of varying abilities across a senior and reserve grade
- Abide by equal court and field time rules if specified in the KDL competition guidelines
- Have a zero tolerance from your playing group on derogatory or inappropriate behaviour
- Place the integrity of the game above winning
- Never, at any time, discriminate a player based on their gender, race or disability
- Abide by all other KDL rules, by-laws and codes of conduct

The League takes breaches of this code of conduct seriously. Coaches found in breach of this document will be subject for a formal investigation and should enough evidence be found, may face the League's independent tribunal. This may result in suspension or a fine issued to their affiliated club.

Should you believe that this code of conduct has been breached by a KDL coach, you are encouraged to contact;

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