

How to Behave

PARENTS CODE OF BEHAVIOUR AS ISSUED BY THE AUSTRALIAN SPORTS COMMISSION

REMEMBER Children participate in 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 always to play according to the rules and to settle disagreements without resorting to hostility or violence.

NEVER ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a competition.

REMEMBER that children learn best by example. Appreciate good performances and skilful plays by all participants.

SUPPORT all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.

RESPECT officials decisions and teach children to do likewise.

SHOW appreciation for volunteers, coaches, officials, and administrators. Without them, your child could not participate.

RESPECT the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.