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Kyabram District League Umpires and Scorers Code of Conduct

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The Kyabram District League (KDL) understands that majority of our Club matches are adjudicated by volunteer or club appointed umpires. These umpires can often be the reason a game can go ahead and the League values their contribution and wishes to support them, in any way they can.

These umpires must, however, abide by the KDL *Umpires and Scorers Code of Conduct* to ensure the integrity of our great league.

Umpires and Scorers must;

- Maintain a good knowledge of the current rules of Australian Rules Football and Netball
- Maintain an equally good knowledge of any adaptions or rules specific to the KDL
- Follow all guidelines and codes of conduct from the AFL and Netball Australia/Victoria
- Ensure that the appropriate attire is worn to uphold the professionalism of the League
- At all times adjudicate the game in good faith and with an impartial view
- Never, under any circumstances give preferential treatment to a team or player
- Record scoring accurately and truthfully
- Never engage in foul language
- Never become aggressive or abusive with a player, coach, spectator or official
- Place a match report where one is warranted to ensure the safety of the game
- Never conduct themselves in a way which may damage the reputation of the League
- Should there be an issue with scoring or umpiring performance, involve a club official or in extreme circumstances the League Operations Manager. Never deal with an escalating issue yourself.
- Report any umpire or volunteer abuse to the home club's Officials, or at the end of the match to the League Operations Manager.

The League takes breaches of this code of conduct seriously. Umpires and Scorers found in breach of this document will be subject for a formal investigation and should enough evidence be found, disciplinary action from the KDL will likely occur.

Should you believe that this code of conduct has been breached by an Umpire or Scorer, you are encouraged to contact:

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