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Coaching / Player Mandatory Requirements.

The executive committee has undertaken initiatives to better manage personnel and outcomes to promote the clubs sporting and social standing.

- Coaches must promote the senior club and are required to conduct coaching/training sessions for the Leichhardt Junior Soccer Club. These sessions are to be conducted by the clubs senior players either at the junior or senior grounds and will be coordinated and timetabled throughout the year. This applies to all senior team members including the Ladies Premier team.
- The premier league coach must consult with all other coaches when arranging players and their availability for up-coming games. Courtesy must be given and arrangements made no later that the training session prior to the competition match.
- Reserve Grade, Youth and Second Division coaches are to make available all players for higher duties for the benefit of the club. Again, early dialogue and decision making is required to achieve agreeable arrangements for all parties.
- Every effort must be made to give all players experience and game time. Players not regularly in the starting line-up must be released to play in the lower divisions.
- The coach is to appoint (by arrangement) a team/player representative or manager to attend the clubs monthly meetings to discuss any issues requiring attention and provide feedback to the players.
- Coaches are to better manage players and keep up to date with the latest football rules and regulations. Coaches must also closely monitor player eligibility with regard to age qualifications (for Youth Division), accumulated disciplinary points and finals eligibility.

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Guidelines for Coaches

Coaches are responsible for the conduct of their players and the spectators on their side of the field, specifically if it relates to the referee, coaches, players and spectators on the other team.

- Remember that players participate for pleasure and winning is only part of the fun
- Never ridicule or yell at players.
- Be reasonable in demands on players' time, energy and enthusiasm.
- Operate within the rules and spirit of the game.
- Ensure that the time players spend at training or on the field is a positive experience. All players are deserving of equal attention and opportunities.
- Display control, respect and professionalism to all involved with football. This includes, but is not limited to, opponents, coaches, officials, administrators, the media, parents and spectators.
- Keep up to date with the latest coaching practices and the principles of growth and development of young players.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
- That role of a coach is to contribute to the overall success, physical, and athletic growth of the players.
- Endeavour to be a good coach/instructor and a positive role model for players.
- Coaches need to be mindful that their attitude can influence the players, coaches and spectators.
- Coaches are to be sensitive to the emotional needs of players.
- Verbal and/or physical abuse will not be tolerated.
- Coaches must not make any public statements, including any media contributions that are disparaging or critical to any match official, player or opposing team.