

**PARENTS AND SPECTATORS CODE OF CONDUCT**

1. Encourage children to participate only if they are interested. If a child is not willing please do not force them.
2. Focus upon the child's efforts and performance rather than the outcome of the game. This assists the child in setting realistic goals related to their own ability by reducing the emphasis on winning.
3. Teach your child that honest effort is as important as victory so that the result of each game is accepted without undue disappointment.
4. Encourage your child to play by the rules
5. Never ridicule or yell at your child for making a mistake or losing a game
6. Remember your child should be involved for **their** involvement, **not yours.**
7. Your child learns best by example. Applaud good play by both your own team and the opposition
8. If you disagree with an umpire or an official, raise the issue through the appropriate channels rather than questioning the official's judgment and honesty in public. Remember most officials give their time for your child's involvement
9. **Do not swear at or abuse umpires. Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from junior sporting activities. Without umpires there would be no game for your child to be involved in and parents must set the right example for their child.**
10. Recognise the value and importance of volunteer coaches. They give their time and resources to provide recreational activities for your child and deserve your support and appreciation.
11. Support your club officials in maintaining the highest standards of behavior both on and off the field. Offer your assistance to the team your child is playing in so that every opportunity is being provided for the best supervision and support. Your child will enjoy your involvement.
12. Avoid derogatory language based on gender or race.

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**Parent 2**  
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