



TEAM OFFICIALS CODE OF FAIR PLAY

Be punctual at all times and have training nights and game days pre-organised.

Set a good example to all of your players. Display control, respect and professionalism to all (coaches, officials, administrators, opponents, parents, spectators) involved with the game of football. Encourage your players to do the same.

Develop ground rules for your players and parents.

Attend all in-house coaching seminars.

Obtain appropriate qualifications and keep up to date with the latest coaching practices and the principles of growth and development of young players – Coaches/Team Leaders.

Respect the Club's equipment at all times and return the equipment at the end of the season. Ensure that the equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of all players.

Remember that junior players participate for pleasure and winning is only part of the fun.

Never ridicule or yell at junior players for making a mistake or for not winning.

Be reasonable in your demands on players' time, energy and enthusiasm.

Show concern and caution toward sick and injured players. Follow the advice of a physician when determining whether an injured player is ready to recommence training or competition. This must be confirmed by a letter from the player's physician.

Enjoy your role as Coach/Team Leader or Manager.

Operate within the rules and spirit of the game and teach your players to do the same.

Ensure that the time players spend with you is a positive experience. All junior players are deserving of equal attention and opportunities.

Avoid overplaying the talented players; the just average need and deserve equal time.

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

Encourage the players to be *process driven* rather than *result driven*.

Understand learning ability of the age you coach and set appropriate training sessions.

Remember learning and development is a long process. It is not up to you to teach everything about football in the one year.