

WSPSSA



Codes of Behaviour for PSSA & Representative Sport

Players

- ✓ Play by the rules.
- ✓ Never argue with an official. If you need clarification, have your captain or coach approach the official during a break or after the game.
- ✓ Work equally hard for yourself and your team. Your team's performance will benefit — so will you.
- ✓ Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays whether they are made by your team or the opposition.
- ✓ Show respect to and acknowledge opponents and officials (e.g. shake hands before and after the game and say things like 'good luck', 'thanks for the game', 'thanks ref', 'three cheers for ...').*
- ✓ Cooperate with your coach, team mates and opponents. Without them there would be no competition.
- ✓ Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please parents and coaches.
- ✓ Play fair — no verbal abuse of officials, sledging other players (including vilification) or deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent.
- ✓ Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

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Parents & Spectators

- ✓ Remember that children participate in sport for their enjoyment, not yours.
- ✓ 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 not winning.
- ✓ Respect officials' decisions and encourage children to do likewise.
- ✓ Show appreciation for volunteer coaches, officials and administrators. Without them, your child could not participate.
- ✓ Applaud good performance and efforts from all individuals and teams.
- ✓ Congratulate all participants, regardless of the game's outcome.
- ✓ Condemn the use of violence, verbal abuse or vilification in any form, whether it is by spectators, coaches, officials or players.
- ✓ Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

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