



Inverleigh Junior Football Netball Club

U14, U16, U18 - Code of Conduct

Mandatory & enforceable Codes of Conduct for Coaches, Players, Parents, Supporters & Officials

The Inverleigh Football Netball Club fully supports the Codes of Conduct as introduced by AFL & AFL Victoria.

COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT

Coaches are required to sign the AFL Code of Conduct as part of the Level 1 Accreditation requirement. All coaches must be accredited to coach in our league.

PLAYER'S CODE OF CONDUCT

- Play by the rules – the rules of your club and of the game.
- Never argue with an umpire or other official – without these people, you can't play football.
- Control your temper – verbal abuse of officials and sledging other players doesn't help you enjoy or win any games.
- Be a team player – it's a team game.
- Treat all players as you would like to be treated – fairly.
- Co-operate with your coach, the umpires and team-mates.
- Play for your own enjoyment and to improve your skills.
- Don't use ugly remarks based on race, religion, gender or ability – you'll let down your coach, team-mates and family if you do. Many such comments are actually now illegal.

PARENTS & SUPPORTERS CODE OF CONDUCT

- Remember that you are there for the participants to enjoy the game.
- Encourage participation, don't force it.
- Teach that enjoyment is more important than winning.
- Never ridicule mistakes or losses – supporters are there to support not downgrade.
- Lead by example:
 - respect all players, coaches, umpires and spectators – physical or verbal abuse will not be tolerated.
 - Volunteer when asked – help at training or a rostered job on game day.
- Recognise all volunteers who are giving up their valuable time.
- Never publicly criticise umpires - raise personal concerns with club officials in private.
- Raise any issues about what team your child plays in with the official (junior) Coordinator. Decisions are made in consultation with parents, coaches and the (junior) Coordinator.
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By registering your child with the Inverleigh Football Netball Club we agree to abide by these principles. We support the club in its understandings and encourage the Club to take any necessary disciplinary actions including suspension and banning where warranted of any players, parents and or spectators for repeated or serious breaches of these Codes of Conduct.