



Coaches Code of Behaviour

In addition to *Macarthur Football Association Inc. (MFA)* Constitution, you must meet the following requirements in regards to your conduct during any activity held or sanctioned by *MFA*, Football NSW, a member association or an affiliated club and in your role as a player/participant in any activity held by or under the auspices of *MFA*, Football NSW, a member association or an affiliated club.

1. Operate within the rules and spirit of your sport, promoting fair play over winning at any cost.
2. Encourage and support opportunities for people to learn appropriate behaviours and skills.
3. Support opportunities for participation in all aspects of sport.
4. Treat each person as an individual.
5. Display control and courtesy to all involved in the sport.
6. Respect the rights and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
7. Respect the decisions of the officials, coaches and administrators in the conduct of the sport.
8. Wherever practical, avoid unaccompanied and unobserved one-on-one activity (when in a supervisory capacity or where a power imbalance will exist) with people under the age of 18 years.
9. Adopt appropriate and responsible behaviour in all interactions.
10. Adopt responsible behaviour in relation to alcohol and other drugs.
11. Act with integrity and objectivity, and accept responsibility for your decisions and actions.
12. Ensure your decisions and actions contribute to a safe environment.
13. Ensure your decisions and actions contribute to a hassle free environment.
14. Do not tolerate harmful or abusive behaviours.
15. Place the safety and welfare of the athletes above all else.
16. Help each other (athlete, official etc) reach their potential - respect the talent, developmental stage and goals of each person and compliment and encourage with positive and supportive feedback.
17. Any physical contact with a person should be appropriate to the situation and necessary for the person's skill development.
18. Be honest and do not allow your qualifications to be misrepresented.