

Code of Conduct – Coaches, Team Managers and Club Officials in Senior Football

For: Conduct of Team and Club Officials with Clubs Participating in Senior FSC Competitions or Involved with Senior FSC Teams.

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I will:

- 1. Show respect to others involved in the game including match officials, my players, opposition players, coaches, managers, officials and spectators.
- 2. Adhere to the Laws of the Game.
- 3. Display and promote high standards of behaviour.
- 4. Always respect the match officials' decisions.
- 5. Never enter the field of play without the referee's permission.
- 6. Never engage in public criticism of the match officials
- 7. Remain in the designated technical area or remain outside the field of play and behind the Designated Spectator Area (where provided)
- 8. Never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour.
- 9. Abide by the FNSW and FFA respective codes of conduct.
- 10. Ensure that all Working with Children documentation is in order and given to my club as per NSW legislation and FNSW policy.

When working with players, I will:

- 1. Place the well-being, safety and enjoyment of each player above everything, including winning.
- 2. Explain exactly what I expect of players and what they can expect from me
- 3. Ensure the parents/carers of all players under the age of 18 understand these expectations.
- 4. Refrain from, and refuse to tolerate any form of bullying.
- 5. Develop mutual trust and respect with every player to build their self-esteem
- 6. Encourage each player to accept responsibility for their own behaviour and performance
- 7. Ensure all activities I organise are appropriate for the players' ability level, experience, age and maturity.
- 8. Cooperate fully with others in football (e.g. officials, doctors, physiotherapists, MPIO) for each player's best interest.

I understand that Breaches of this Code of Conduct may result in action being taken by Football South Coast, Football NSW or FFA.