

Everyone has a role to play in ensuring that the game is free from bullying, verbal abuse and physical abuse; and that the game is played in a competitive and fair manner.

All participants have a responsibility to promote respect and good behaviour. As role models, senior players must demonstrate behaviour that younger players can follow and that they would expect other players, team officials and match officials to display.

Therefore it is essential that **YOU** play your part and always follow the **Respect** Code of Conduct.

THE CODE

1. Play by the Laws of the Game.
2. Abide by the Constitution (Rules & Regulations) and the Competition Rules of the FFA and FFSA.
3. Fulfil all of my club's requirements.
4. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all players and club officials at all times.
5. Accept the decision of the referee and act respectfully towards all match officials at all times.
6. Be professional and accept responsibility for my actions.
7. Refrain from any form of verbal abuse towards anyone.
8. Refrain from any form of harassment, bullying or violent conduct towards anyone.
9. Promote the best interests of Football and always consider how my actions may affect the image of the game.
10. Being involved in Football I accept I have a responsibility to be a good ambassador for the game.
11. Make no **detrimental statements in public** (internet social media, print, radio) in respect of the performance of any match officials, or any policy decisions of the Club, association, the FFSA or FFA.



I understand that I must abide by this Code of Conduct and that sanctions may be imposed if I do not do so.

I also acknowledge that I may be:

1. Required to apologise to the person or people I have offended.
2. Required to attend a meeting with club officials.
3. Counselling by my club.
4. Given a formal warning by my club.
5. Suspended from training and/or games.
6. Fined by my club (only applies to professional players).
7. Dismissed by my club.
8. Required to face a disciplinary hearing and receive sanctions imposed by the local association and/or Football Federation SA in accordance with the competition rules and regulations and FFA Disciplinary Regulations.

**GIVE IT!
GET IT!**
RESPECT



I have read and understood the Code of Conduct and agree to abide by its terms:

Signed

Print Name

Date

