

Coaches Code of Behaviour

In addition to *Macarthur Football Association Inc. (MFA)* Constitution, you must meet the following requirements in regard 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:

- 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 the sport.
- 4. Treat each person as an individual.
- 5. Display control and courtesy to all involved with 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 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 harassment 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 person (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