



EPSOM FOOTBALL CLUB

Code of Conduct Players

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All participants of our game have a responsibility to promote respect and good behaviour to ensure our clubs, and our game is free from physical and verbal bullying and abuse.

All players must abide by this Code of Conduct and demonstrate good quality behaviours that provide a welcoming environment for our sport.

Responsibilities

1. Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit.
2. Respect all other participants and the rights and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background, or religion.
3. Play fair, play by the rules, and play to the best of your ability, always.
4. Be a good sport, displaying modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat.
5. Respect the equipment and facilities provided to you as part of your program.
6. Be honest with your coach concerning illness and injury, and your ability to train and play.
7. Never yell at, ridicule, or criticize other participants. They are all trying their best.
8. Co-operate with your coach, teammates, referees, and opponents. Without them, there would be no competition.
9. Respect and follow the directions of your team officials and referees.
10. Do not argue with the Match Official. If you disagree, have your captain or coach approach the Match Official during a break in play or after the Match is concluded.
11. Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials or other players, deliberately distracting or provoking another person is not acceptable or permitted in any sport.
12. Be respectful whether you win or lose. Shake hands with the other team and referee at the end of the game.
13. If you feel unsafe or uncomfortable at your club speak to someone you trust.
14. Senior players may be responsible for 50% of the fine for technical red cards at the discretion of Coach and Committee. Senior players will be responsible for 100% of the fine for red cards received for abusive or violent behaviour.

Breaches of the Code

- Any breach of this Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action
- Sanctions may include warnings, removal from position, or further action in line with the Club's constitution and policies
- All matters will be handled fairly, confidentially, and in accordance with natural justice principles