

Springwood United Football Club Inc.



Officials, Coaches & Managers Code of Behaviour

- Never argue with an official. If you disagree, speak with a representative from your clubs administration if you are dissatisfied with any matters during a game.
- There are official channels to lodge complaints, during the game is not the time to do so.
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials, sledging of officials or players or provoking an opponent is not acceptable or permitted in any sport.
- Remember that players participate in sport for their enjoyment, not yours.
- Encourage children to participate, do not force them.
- Focus on the players efforts and performance rather than whether they win or lose.
- Encourage players to play according to the rules and to settle disagreements without resorting to hostility or violence.
- Never ridicule or yell at a player for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- Do not physically or verbally abuse, intimidate, ridicule or harass anyone associated with the sport, this includes all forms of electronic and social media, (player, coach, manager, parent, referee, official, committee, spectators etc.)
- Demonstrate a high degree of individual responsibility especially when dealing with, or in the vicinity of, persons under 18 yrs of age. **REMEMBER** that children learn best by example. Remain composed at all times.
- Show appreciation for good performance and skilful plays by all players (including the opposition).
- Support all efforts to remove verbal, sexual, homophobic, racial and physical abuse from sporting activities.
- Respect officials' decisions and teach players to do likewise.
- Arrive to training sessions early with a planned and structured session to provide the players with a productive training session.
- Show appreciation for other volunteers, officials and administrators. Without them, the club and teams would not function.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, sexual orientation, ability, ethnicity, cultural background or religion.
- Wear appropriate attire expected for an Official, Coach or Manager. Any attire displaying swear words, foul language or inappropriate nicknames is not acceptable.
- Communicate all requests for player upgrades through the lending teams Coach or Manager. Do not directly approach players/parents from another junior team to borrow a player or to request they train with your team.

If you do not comply with any of the above conditions, a disciplinary hearing or disciplinary action may result

Be a positive role model