



North Mandurah Junior Football Club

Player's Code of Conduct

Adapted from the 2011 Junior Club Manual, developed by the Western Australian Football Commission

• Understand BYLAW #1

BYLAW No 1 - SPIRIT OF JUNIOR FOOTBALL IN WA

Every participant understands that Junior Football in Western Australia is delivered to the Community with the Spirit Of the Game in mind.

It is incumbent on every participant, irrespective of their place in the game, to ensure that they will;

- **Not focus on winning at all cost** and understand that the role of Junior Football is to foster the development of ALL Players, Volunteers, Umpires, Coaches and Officials. Learning to win and lose is part of the developmental journey of a participant but must remain secondary to the primary focus of junior player development.
- Maximize the enjoyment and development of ALL footballers.
- Provide our Children with a game environment that is safe, fun and fair.
- Ensure that the values which add to the spirit of our game, which include fairness, equality, respect and team work are encouraged and celebrated.
- Uphold, promote and protect the Rules, Laws, Codes, Policies and Spirit of the game.
- Not accept poor behaviors around our game and deter practices that undermine our games' environments (Coaching, Playing, Volunteering, Spectating and Umpiring).
- Adhere to any directive issued by the games controlling bodies in the best interests of achieving the above.

I will;

- Play by the rules.
- Never argue with an official. If I disagree, I will discuss the matter with my coach after the game.
- Control my temper. Verbal abuse of Officials or other Players, or provoking an opponent is not acceptable.
- Work equally hard for myself and for my team. My team's performance will benefit so will I.
- Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays whether they are by my team, opponent or the other team.
- Treat all Players as I would like to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully or take unfair advantage of another Player.
- Cooperate with your Coach, Team Mates and Opponents. Without them there would no competition.
- Play for the "fun of it" and not just to please Parents and Coaches.
- Avoid using derogatory language.
- Be prepared to take responsibility for my actions.

Team expectations/consequences

- The Team Manager/ess will speak to the umpires at 1/4, 1/2 & 3/4 time and request the number of any player they are concerned about regarding language or approach to the game. If any player is identified they will be spoken to and if the behavior continues will be interchanged.
- If you concede a 50m penalty stand the mark and then make your way to the bench, don't wait for the runner as you will sit out the next 10min.

Players Name

Players Signature

Parent/ Carers Signature

Date _____