

# NORTHCOTE CITY FOOTBALL CLUB

## CODES OF CONDUCT FOR NORTHCOTE CITY FOOTBALL CLUB

The codes of conduct below have been incorporated into FFV Rules of Competition. It is vital that everyone involved in sporting activities, whether they are athletes, coaches, parents, officials or supporters understand their responsibilities to ensure that all participants enjoy the sport.

PLEASE NOTE: NORTHCOTE CITY FOOTBALL CLUB WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY FFV TRIBINUAL OR FINES ASSOCIATED WITH MISCONDUCT BY ANY PERSON AS STATED IN THE BELOW CODE OF BEHAVIOURS

### **PLAYERS' CODE OF CONDUCT**

- Play by the rules and within the spirit of the game;
- Never 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;
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials or other players, deliberately distracting or provoking another person is not acceptable or permitted in any sport;
- Maintain your focus and work hard for yourself and your team;
- Be a good sport and be prepared to acknowledge good play whether it is from your team or the opposition;
- Treat all players, as you would like to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully or take unfair advantage of another player;
- Co-operate with your coach, teammates and opponents. Without them, there would be no competition;
- Play for your own enjoyment, and not just to please parents and coaches;
- Remove all jewellery prior to training and match play, as it is a hazard to you and those around you;
- Do not accept or use any banned or unauthorised drug(s), including the consumption of alcohol at any time.

## PARENTS/GUARDIANS CODE OF CONDUCT

- Remember that children play the sport for their enjoyment, and not yours;
- Encourage children to play according to the rules and spirit of the game;
- Encourage all children to participate, do not force them;
- Focus on the child's efforts and performance rather than the result of the activity (that is, winning or losing);
- Never ridicule, yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game;
- Remember that children learn best by example, so applaud good play by both teams;
- Support all efforts to remove racial and religious vilification, verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities;



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- Respect the match official's decisions and teach your child to do likewise;
- Show respect and appreciation to Club officials, including coaches, officials and administrators. Ensure any issues are raised through the correct channels;
- 'Smart Supporting' not loud and intense but calm, relaxed and at all times positive;
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion;
- Do not smoke or consume alcohol near the team bench (Technical Area) or within ten (10) metres of the sideline.

### SPECTATORS' CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

- Applaud good play and performances from both teams, and be forward in congratulating all
  participants on their performance regardless of the final outcome;
- Respect the match official's decisions on the day;
- Condemn the use of violence in any form, be it by spectators, coaches, officials or players;
- Show respect to both teams when watching matches, because without them there would be no game;
- Encourage players to follow rules and accept the decision of the match official;
- Do not intimidate, harass or use foul language towards, players, match officials, Club Officials or spectators.

## **CODE OF CONDUCT PLEDGE - 2018**

Northcote City Football Club is adamant in providing a positive, supportive and safe environment therefore, there will be zero tolerance in any misconduct from any member associated with the club.

#### **CODE OF CONDUCT AGREEMENT - 2018**

Please ensure you have read and fully understand all the rules outlined in the Code of Conduct. Reply back to your Team Managers stating I accept and acknowledge that I must, at all times, obey by these rules whether I am a parent, guardian, spectator or player.

Any breach shall be subject to consideration and possible disciplinary action by the Northcote City Football Club Committee:

- 1) Minor disciplinary issues will be dealt with by the NCFC Football department.
- 2) Major disciplinary issues/misconduct by any player/parent/guardian may result in immediate expulsion from the club and FFV will be notified.