



# **NORTHCOTE JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB**

## Northcote Junior Football Club parents and spectators Code of Conduct

This code of conduct applies to all committee members, officials, players and supporters of the Northcote Junior Football Club and sets out the minimum standard of conduct for those participating in club activities, both on and off the field.

You shall:

- Conduct yourself at all times in a manner that will positively promote and foster the image of the Club within the community.
- Abide by the rules and conditions as set down by the Club and by the Northern Football League.
- Not force an unwilling child to participate in football.
- Remember your son or daughter should be involved in football for their enjoyment, not yours.
- Encourage your son/daughter to always to play by the rules.
- Teach your son/ daughter that honest effort is as important as victory so that the result of each game is accepted without undue disappointment.
- Turn defeat to victory by helping your son or daughter work towards skill improvement and good sportsmanship.
- Never ridicule or yell at your son or daughter for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- Remember that your son or daughter learns best by example, and applaud good play both by your team and by members of the opposing team.
- Not publicly question the judgement of officials and umpires, and never question their honesty.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from junior sporting activities.
- Remember that the coach has the discretion to forfeit the game if NJFC supporters behave in an unsportsmanlike manner in breach of our code of conduct. The coach will have the full support of the committee if they take this step.
- Recognise the value and importance of volunteers. They give their time and resources to provide recreational activities for your son/daughter.
- Not consume alcohol while watching junior sport.

Should this code of conduct be breached, or the conduct of any player or member warrant, the committee will take action as provided in the NJFC Rules of Association.