



PARENT & SPECTATOR CODE OF CONDUCT

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

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 Constitution.

All committee members, officials, players, parents and supporters of the Northcote Junior Football Club will:

- 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 Yarra Junior Football League.
- Not force an unwilling child/young person to participate in football.
- Remember your child / young person should be involved in football for their enjoyment, not yours.
- Encourage your child/young person to always to play by the rules.
- Teach your child /young person 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 child/young person work towards skill improvement and good sportsmanship.
- Never ridicule or yell at your child/young person for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- Remember that your child/young person learns best by example and applaud good play both by your team and the opposing team.
- Not publicly question the judgement of match or ground 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 unsporting manner in breach of our code of conduct and the YJFL's by-laws. 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 high-quality recreational activities for your son/daughter.