



## **TULLAMARINE FOOTBALL CLUB CODE OF CONDUCT 2015**

**The Tullamarine Football Club aims to provide a safe and friendly environment for all players, supporters, officials, volunteers, members and supports. The Code of Conduct applies to everyone within the football club and will be enforced by the committee.**

### **Players Code of Conduct**

- Play for the "fun of it" – remember it's just a game!
- Be a team player – Your team's performance will benefit, so will you. Don't forget to acknowledge opponents, officials and umpires, e.g. shake hands before and after the game.
- Co-operate, support and encourage your coach, the umpires and team mates.
- Treat all players as you would like to be treated – fairly by being a good sport
- All players must control their temper at all times. Treat others as you would like to be treated. No form of bullying will be tolerated.
- At all times players must play within the laws and rules of the game.
- Verbal abuse towards umpires, officials, parents or other players is not acceptable. Without these people you can't play football.
- Never argue with an umpire or official. If you disagree, discuss the matter with your coach.
- Play fair, respect the rights and dignity of all players regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion. Ugly remarks based on race or gender will not be tolerated.
- Play for your own enjoyment and to improve your skills.

### **Parents/Guardians, Supporters and Officials Code of Conduct**

- Remember that you are there for the participants to enjoy the game, please remember it is just a game. The children should be involved for their enjoyment, not yours.
- Encourage players to participate, do not force them.
- Focus on the players efforts- never ridicule or yell at a player for making a mistake or losing a game. Teach that honest effort is the victory, not the winning.
- Remember that players learn best from example. Applaud good play by both teams. Never ridicule mistakes or losses, including opposition players and supporters. Show respect to all players, coaches, umpires and spectators.
- Encourage players to always participate according to the rules and respect official's decisions.
- Teach that honest effort is the victory, not the winning.
- Recognise the value and importance of volunteer coaches and officials.
- Never publicly criticize, belittle or approach umpires for any reason. You can raise personal concerns with club officials in private or in writing to [president@tullamarinefc.org.au](mailto:president@tullamarinefc.org.au)
- Demonstrate appropriate social behavior by not harassing or using foul language to umpires, players, coaches, or other spectators.
- Support all efforts to foster high standards of behavior.
- Condemn the use of violence, abuse, bullying in any form, be it by spectators, coaches, officials or players.
- Respect the rights and dignity of every player regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion. Support all efforts to remove verbal, racial and physical abuse and to settle disagreements without resorting to hostility or violence.
- Discuss the Codes of Conduct with your son/daughter so that you are both are aware of your obligations.
- We encourage parents to attend match days and training, but are expected to let players focus on the Coaches instructions
- Actively promote the Codes of Conduct and foster high standards of behavior for your club at all times.
- Support all efforts to foster high standards of behavior.
- Support your club officials; offer your assistance to the team so that every opportunity is being provided for the best supervision. Involvement is a satisfying opportunity for both you and your child.

**Your failure to adhere to the codes of conduct may result in the withdrawal or suspension of the membership and registration to play within the Tullamarine Football Club and within the EDFL league.**