



'The Next Generation'

Wagga Tigers Junior Football Netball Club

CODE OF CONDUCT

The Wagga Tigers Junior Australian Football Netball Club endeavour to teach and support our junior players, not only on the sports field, but also in their daily lives. To do this we need to be committed to modelling the types of behaviour and qualities we expect.

This Code of Conduct should be read in conjunction with the AFL Riverina Code of Conduct.

Any failures to adhere to this Code of Conduct within the club will be referred to the next committee meeting for consideration. Serious breaches of the Code may result in expulsion from the club.

Coaches Code of Conduct

Abide by the Laws of the Game, Rules of the Club and League:

- Teach the Rules.
- Rules are mutual agreements that nobody should break.
- Coaches are not permitted to contact the Wagga and District Junior Australian Football Management Committee or the NSW AFL directly. All matters must be referred to the President/Secretary for referral by an authorised person.
- All Officials must submit and pass Working with Children Check.

Place Winning in perspective:

- Stress safety always.
- Consider maturity levels.
- Devise training programs to suit all.
- Group players competitively.
- Avoid overplaying talented players.
- Maximise fun.
- Accept Umpires are Human and may make a mistake.

Develop team respect:

- For opponents, umpires and coaches.
- Recognise the importance of proper injury treatment.
- Keep up to date with coaching developments.
- Attain coaching accreditation and update as required.
- Avoid derogatory language.

Officials Code of Conduct

- Remember you are representing your club / league and setting an example to your players/parents.
- Try to resolve any conflict in a calm, sensible manner (when possible in private).
- Be aware of potential volatile situations at all times and be prepared to deal with them appropriately.

Players Code of Conduct

- Play by the laws and rules.
- Don't argue – with coaches/officials, umpires, opposition/spectators.
- Control your temper.
- Do not make unwarranted contact in an aggressive manner with other players.
- Be a team player.
- Be a good sport.
- Treat all players fairly, and as you would like to be treated.
- Cooperate with your coach, teammates, opponents and officials.
- Play for fun and improvement.
- Avoid any discriminatory remarks based on race or gender.

Spectators and/or Parents Code of Conduct

- Encourage child participation but do not force them to participate.
- Teach that honest effort is the victory, not the winning.
- Encourage to always play by the rules and accept the umpire's decision at all times.
- Never ridicule mistakes or yell at a child for making mistakes or losing.
- Remember that involvement is for their enjoyment, not yours.
- Remember that they learn best by example. Applaud both teams.
- Recognise positively the recreational contribution of voluntary officials, coaches and administrators.
- Never publicly disagree with officials. Raise issues privately.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal, racial and physical abuse and to settle disagreements without resorting to hostility or violence.
- Support your club officials to foster high standards of behaviour for your club and the league.
- Under no circumstances will the club tolerate spectators and/or parents entering the field during a game unless permitted by the coach or another authorised club representative.
- Under no circumstances will the club tolerate spectators and/or parents taking matters into their own hands by approaching coaches, players or people in our club or an opposition club

in an aggressive manner. All such matters must be directed to the President/Secretary or Ground Manager.

- Spectators and/or parents are not permitted to contact the Wagga and District Junior Australian Football Management Committee or the NSW AFL directly. All matters must be referred to the President/Secretary for referral by an authorised person.
- Never talk to the players during coach's address before/during/after games.
- Do your bit to support the running of our club when required at training or game day e.g. canteen/timekeeping/scoring/goal umpiring/set up/pack up.

Please note: The Club is blessed to have experienced and qualified coaches engaged in all aged divisions.

These coaches are volunteers and spend a lot of their own time training and developing the players. The Club supports all their coaches and will not tolerate any spectator and/or parent approaching a coach in an aggressive manner either at training or on game days. Should this occur it will be deemed a serious violation of the Code of Conduct and the Club will consider immediate expulsion of any relevant player/family member.