

# Riverstone Schofields Junior Soccer Football Club



## Policy

## Code of Behaviour - Officials

### Effective Date

15 January 2007

In addition to Riverstone Schofields Junior Soccer Football Club's (the Club) General Code of Behaviour, you must meet the following requirements in regard to your conduct during any activity held or sanctioned by the Club and in your role as an administrator appointed by the Club:

- ⚽ Place the safety and welfare of players above all else
- ⚽ Show concern and caution towards sick and injured players
- ⚽ Give all players a "fair go" regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion
- ⚽ Be impartial, consistent, objective and courteous when making decisions
- ⚽ Condemn unsporting behaviour and promote respect for the individuality of players
- ⚽ Be a positive role model in behaviour & personal appearance and ensure comments are positive & supportive
- ⚽ Be a good sport and understand that actions speak louder than words
- ⚽ Always respect, remain loyal to and support other officials
- ⚽ Refrain from any form of personal abuse towards players or other officials
- ⚽ Ensure quality supervision and coaching for players
- ⚽ Actively discourage performance bonuses for children scoring goals as this does not promote team play.
- ⚽ Help coaches and officials highlight appropriate behaviour and skill development, and help to improve the standards of coaching and officiating
- ⚽ Ensure that everyone involved in sport emphasises fair play, and not winning at all costs
- ⚽ Do not arrive at the field intoxicated or drink alcohol at matches
- ⚽ Do not allow the unlawful supply of alcohol at training, games or club functions
- ⚽ Provide feedback to players, coaches, managers, officials and other participants in a manner sensitive to their needs. Avoid overly negative feedback.
- ⚽ Treat all players, coaches, managers, officials and other participants fairly, regardless of gender, race, place of origin, athletic potential, colour, sexual orientation, religion, political beliefs, socio-economic status and other conditions.
- ⚽ Do not use violence, harassment or abuse in any form (that is, do not use foul language, sledge or harass players, coaches, officials or spectators).
- ⚽ Be reasonable in the demands of players, coaches, managers, officials and other participants
- ⚽ Ensure any physical contact with players by coaches, managers and officials is appropriate to the situation and necessary for the player's skill development.
- ⚽ Actively discourage the use of performance enhancing drugs, and the use of alcohol, tobacco and illegal substances.
- ⚽ Do not exploit any management relationship to further personal, political or business interests at the expense of the best interest of your players.
- ⚽ Know and abide by rules, regulations and standards, and encourage players to do likewise. Accept both the letter and the spirit of the rules.
- ⚽ Be honest and ensure that qualifications are not misrepresented.

Persons failing to comply with this policy may be subject to disciplinary action by the Club.