



## UMPIRES CODE OF CONDUCT 2023 SEASON

Modify rules and regulations to match the skill level and needs of the players and or the conditions that affect play (excessive heat, wet weather).

- **Compliment and encourage** all participants.
- **Be consistent**, objective and courteous when making decisions.
- **Condemn unsporting behaviour** and **promote respect** for all opponents.
- Emphasise the spirit of the game rather than the errors.
- Encourage and promote rule changes which will make participation more enjoyable.
- Be a good sport yourself. **Actions speak louder than words.**
- **Keep up to date** with the latest trends in officiating and the principles of growth and development of young people.
- Place the **safety and welfare** of the participants above all else.
- **Treat all players** fairly regardless of who their parents, partner or spouses may be or how their actions may impact on you personally, politically or emotionally.
- **Give all young people a 'fair go'** regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
- Not engage in conduct likely to bring discredit upon the Game or the Club.
- **You must not place the game**, club and or its workforce (paid or volunteers) reputation in disrepute by your actions, commentary or publications (on or off the field of play).
- **Publication and commentary electronically via email and or on social media** carries similar obligations to any other kind of publication or commentary. All uses of social media must follow the same ethical standards that you must otherwise follow under the clubs policies, procedures and codes of conduct.
- **Know – Abuse /harassment of any type on or off the field of play is unacceptable** behaviour and attracts the greatest penalties.

## DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE

On accepting my position, I am declaring my obligation to abide by the organisations Constitution, Policies, Procedures, Codes of Behaviour and Conduct and the Rules of the game and know the Association is empowered to set the standard and penalties for non-compliance.

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Umpire's Signature

Dated:     /     /