



Code of Conduct

Players, Coaches, Officials, Supporters

Players Code of Conduct

In order to be enjoyed globally, football has to be played to a standard code of conduct. To avoid bringing the game into disrepute players are expected to observe the following code of conduct. Failure to abide by these rules may result in suspension, exclusion from a team or dismissal from the club.

Decisions

Accept match official's decision without question.
Match Officials decision is considered final.

Respect

Treat your coach, manager, club officials, game officials and opponents with the respect you would wish them give to you.

Appeals

Avoid appealing to the match official for decisions to be given in your favour e.g. throw ins, corner kicks, apparent infringements by opponents.

Discipline

Keep your temper under control in all circumstances.
Physical violence will not be tolerated.

Fair Play

Display good sportsmanship. Play fairly without danger to opponents or your own team mates.

Racism

Racism even if intent was not meant will not be tolerated .

Sportsmanship

Do not indulge in practices of cheating under the guise of 'gamesmanship'.

Language Foul language, belittling or bullying behaviour, hand signals or gestures, will not be tolerated.

Equipment & Clothing

Take pride in your appearance.
Wear the correct club uniform unless otherwise stated.
Shirts should be tucked in and socks up at all times.
Boots and shin-pads are compulsory.
Shin-pads must be entirely covered by socks at all times.

Players will be allowed one warning whether written or verbal. If a player breaches again they will be stood down for two weeks or may be suspended or may be dismissed from the club.



Coaches and Officials Code of Conduct

- Be a positive role model for all members, playing and non playing members. Its the responsibility for all coaches and officials to ensure that all games are conducted within the spirit and the laws of the game.
- Where conflict arises between advantage for their own team and the good of the game, coaches and officials shall place the good of the game above all else.
- Ensure that time spent with players are positive and enjoyable. They deserve equal attention and opportunities. Respect the rights, integrity and worth of everyone regardless of age, race, religion, sexual preferences or skill level. Respect the skill level, learning process, development process and assist each player to reach potential within their means.
- Club officials and coaches wishing to question, as distinct from disputing a match official decision shall do so in a proactive manner notwithstanding the other conduct points noted in this document. Remonstrating to the point of argument with match officials will not be tolerated.
- Be professional with their actions and take responsibility for ones actions. Ensure children under the age of 18yrs old are not left unsupervised.
- Language, manner, preparation and presentation should reflect high standards and ensure the club is held to high regard.
- Display control, respect, integrity and professionalism to all involved with the game, which includes fellow club coaches, club officials, administrators, parents, supporters and opposition.
- Avoid situations where it may be construed as inappropriate behaviour.
- Show caution towards injured and sick players. Seek medical advice if uncertain and where required.
- Team officials must ensure that all players, parents if the players are under 18 and supporters are aware of the Clubs Code of Conduct and all Laws, Regulations, and Playing Conditions pertaining to the conduct of players, coaches, officials and supporters, including Codes of Conduct for affiliated bodies.

In the first instance of a serious breach of conduct, the coach will be provided with one warning whether written or verbal. If a player breaches again they will be stood down for two weeks or may be suspended or may be dismissed from the club.



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Good sport is about positive attitude. Together we can ensure the right environment is provided and help make the game a success and pleasure to play.

- Respect that volunteers are involved in the game.
- Respect that the game should be about fun and enjoyment.
- Support good play and applaud good performance for all competing.
- Understand the rules of the game.
- Learn the difference between supportive and abusive behaviour or comments and execute supportive behaviour.
- Accept decisions of club officials and coaches.
- Display self-control on the sideline. Negative connotations or shouting at or ridiculing players will not be tolerated.
- Show your appreciation of the people who make the game happen.
- Remember that people make mistakes.
- Supporters should stand clear of the sideline to not disrupt the game or affect players.
- Screaming or yelling instructions on top of the coaches or club officials should be avoided to allow players to hear the instructions from the coaches and club officials provided to them.

In the first instance of a serious breach of conduct, the supporter will be provided with one warning whether written or verbal. If the behaviour continues the supporter may be asked to leave the premises or may be removed from the club or if misconduct occurs of a serious nature, the police called.



NORTH HARBOUR FOOTBALL & SPORTS CLUB INC.

For the full Code of Conduct, please click the link below:

http://www.nzfootball.co.nz/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/NZF_Code_of_Conduct.pdf