



RESEARCH JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

PLAYER BEHAVIOUR & EXPECTATIONS



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1. OUR COMMITMENT

Research Junior Football Club Inc (“RJFC”) is committed to providing a safe environment for participation. Aggressive, threatening or other inappropriate behaviour by players will not be tolerated.

2. PLAYER EXPECTATION

Play by the rules.

- Never argue with an official. If you disagree, speak to your coach or team manager.
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials, sledging other players or deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent are not acceptable or permitted behaviours in any sport.
- Work equally hard for yourself and/or your team. Your team’s performance will benefit and so will you.
- Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays whether they are made by your team or the opposition.
- Treat all participants in your sport as you like to be treated. Do not bully or take unfair advantage of another competitor.
- Cooperate with your coach, team-mates and opponents. Without them, there would be no competition.
- Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please your parents and coaches.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all, regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion

3. WHAT WE WILL DO

- Provide access to our Code of Behaviour via the RJFC website along with our Member Protection Policy.
- Reinforce messages of fair and respectful behaviour by displaying signs and posters around our facilities and providing information on our website, in our newsletter and through other club communication.
- Consult with our local police and seek their support and advice on how to handle issues involving inappropriate behaviour by players prior to, at or after a game.
- Encourage the reporting of incidents and investigate inappropriate behaviours as outlined in this policy and take disciplinary or whatever other actions as are deemed necessary (e.g. appoint a ground official to monitor behaviour).
- Encourage our players, coaches, officials and spectators to call the police if they are concerned about escalating behaviour and their safety or the safety of others.



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4. NON-COMPLIANCE

Players who have behaved inappropriately may face disciplinary action as outlined in our Member Protection Policy.

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