

## **MANDATORY & ENFORCEABLE CODES OF CONDUCT FOR COACHES, PLAYERS, PARENTS, SUPPORTERS AND OFFICIALS**

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The Club Code of Conduct applies to all of our officials, volunteers, members and supporters.

### **COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT**

Coaches are required to sign the AFL Code of Conduct as part of the Level 1 Accreditation requirement. All coaches must be accredited to coach in the VAFA.

### **PLAYERS CODE OF CONDUCT**

- Play by the rules – the rules of your club and the laws of the game
- Never argue with an umpire or other official
- Control your temper - verbal abuse of officials and other players will not be tolerated
- Be a team player – It's a team game, treat it that way
- Treat all players as you would like to be treated - fairly
- Co-operate with your coach, the umpires and team-mates
- Play for your own enjoyment & too improve your skills
- The use of ugly remarks based on race, religion, gender or ability is not tolerated

### **PARENTS, SUPPORTERS & OFFICIALS CODE OF CONDUCT**

- Remember that you are there for the participants to enjoy the game
- Encourage participation, but don't force it
- Teach that enjoyment is more important than winning
- Never ridicule mistakes or losses – supporters are there to support not downgrade
- Lead by example and respect all players, coaches, umpires and spectators – physical or verbal abuse will not be tolerated
- Recognise all volunteers who are giving up their valuable time
- Never publicly criticise umpires – raise personal concerns with club officials in private
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**By registering with the Old Geelong Football Club you immediately agree to abide by these principles. All players are expected to support the Club in it's undertakings and encourage the Club to take any necessary disciplinary actions including the suspension and banning where warranted of any players, parents and or spectators for repeated or serious breaches of these Codes of Conduct.**