



## BEHAVIOUR CODE

### Player's Code of Behaviour

- Play by the rules
- Never argue with an official. If you disagree, have your captain, coach or manager approach the official during a break or after the game
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials or other players, deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent is not acceptable or permitted in any sport
- Work equally hard for yourself and for your team. Your team's performance will benefit and so will you
- Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays whether they be by your team, opponent or the other team
- Treat all players as you would like to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully or take unfair advantage of another player
- Co-operate with your coach, team-mates and opponents. Without them there would be no competition
- Place in proper perspective the isolated incidents of unsporting behaviour rather than make such incidents the "highlight" of the event

I \_\_\_\_\_ (Player) agree to abide by the above Code of Behaviour.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

### Parent's Code of Behaviour

- If children are interested, encourage them to participate. However if a child is not willing, do not force her/him
- Focus upon the child's efforts and performance rather than the overall outcome of the event. This assists the child in setting realistic goals related to his or her ability by reducing the emphasis on winning
- Teach children that an honest effort is as important as victory, so that the result of each game is accepted without undue disappointment
- Encourage children to always participate according to the rules
- Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game
- Remember that children are involved in organised sports for their enjoyment not yours
- Remember that children learn best from example. Applaud good plays by all teams
- If you disagree with an official, raise the issue through the appropriate channels rather than question the official's judgement and honesty in public. Remember, most officials give their time and effort for your child's benefit
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities
- Recognise the value and importance of volunteer coaches. They give up their time and resources to provide recreational activities for the children and deserve your support

I \_\_\_\_\_ (Parent/Guardian) agree to abide by the above Code of Behaviour.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_