



## Parents/Spectators Code of Conduct

- If children are interested, encourage them to play sport. However do not force them.
- Children play organised sport for fun. They are not playing for your entertainment and are not miniature professionals.
- Focus upon the child's efforts and performance rather than the overall outcome of the game.
- Assist the children in setting realistic goals relating to her ability by reducing the emphasis on winning.
- Teach your children that an honest effort is more important than a victory.
- Encourage them to always play according to the rules and the officials decision.
- **NEVER** ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game.
- Remember children learn best from example, applaud good play by both teams.
- If you disagree with an umpire, raise the issue through appropriate channels rather than question the umpires judgement and honesty in public - remember umpires give their 'free' time and effort for your child's chosen sport.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from the game.
- Show respect for your teams opponents. Without them , there would be no game.
- Demonstrate appropriate social behaviour by not using foul language, harassing players, coaches or umpires.
- **DO NOT** give the young umpires a hard time, if your daughter is in the U12 or older she will have to umpire - treat umpires as you want your daughter to be treated.
- Adhere to all Covid requirements. This is vital to keeping our competition going.

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