



COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT

I understand that as a Coach at the SMOSH-West Lakes Junior Football Club, I must maintain a standard of behaviour and conduct in the best interests of the game and the players/staff in my care.

In representing the SMOSH-West Lakes Junior Football Club, I will represent myself in a honest way without bringing the game into disrepute. I will endeavour to uphold the following to the best of my ability:

1. Set a good example and display utmost honesty and integrity in all dealings.
2. Teach fair play and good sportsmanship.
3. Never place the value of winning above that of instilling the highest possible ideals and character.
4. Be reasonable in demands, setting goals and expectations at an attainable level.
5. Maintain a current knowledge of the rules of the game.
6. Teach and interpret the rules of the game to the players.
7. Never ridicule players.
8. Respect the rights of an individual within the context of my involvement in MWJFL including refraining from any discriminatory practices on the basis of race, religion or special ability/disability.
9. Encourage and create opportunities to develop individual as well as team skills.
10. Ensure all players understand the importance of regular attendance at training and positive attitude at training.
11. Ensure injured players are given the right medical attention.
12. Display and teach appropriate sporting behaviour ensuring that players understand and practice fair play.
13. Endeavour to keep informed regarding coaching and skills development and of factors relating to the welfare of my players.
14. Display and respect all umpires, opponents, coaches, administrators, other officials, parents and spectators.
15. Abide by the *Rules and Regulations* of the *Competition Rules* of the MWJFL Association.
16. Do not engage in physical and/or verbal intimidation, abuse or conduct toward any player, official, umpire or supporter. Such actions are totally unacceptable and will be dealt with by the SMOSH-West Lakes Junior Football Committee or the MWJFL Association.

17. Respect the facilities and equipment of their own and opposing clubs.
18. I will be reasonable in the demands I make on time commitments of the players in my care, having due care of their health and well-being.
19. I will be supportive at all times and will refrain from any form of personal abuse or unnecessary physical contact with the players in my care.
20. I will have due consideration for varying maturity and ability levels of my players when designing practice schedules, activities and involvement.
21. I will ensure that developing players are involved in a positive environment where skill learning and development as priorities are not overshadowed by a desire to win.
22. I will ensure that I will follow the *SMOSH Player Pathway Guidelines*.

I agree to the following terms:

1. I agree to abide by the SMOSH-West Lakes Junior Football Club 'Coaches Code of Conduct.'
2. I acknowledge that the SMOSH-West Lakes Junior Committee or MWJFL may take disciplinary action against me if I breach the 'Coaches Code of Conduct.' I understand the SMOSH-West Lakes Junior Committee or MWJFL is required to implement a complaints handling procedure in accordance with the principles of natural justice, in the event of an allegation against me.
3. I acknowledge that disciplinary action against me may include warnings, match suspensions and/or the removing of my coach's role at the SMOSH-West Lakes Junior Football Club.

Signed: _____

(SMOSH-West Lakes JFC Coach)

Name: _____

Position: _____

Dated: _____