

Ballarat North United Soccer Club



PLAYERS' CODE OF CONDUCT 2017

"For the Good of the Game"

This code of conduct shall apply to players. Any breach there of shall be subject to consideration and possible disciplinary action by the BNUSC Committee.

1. Play by the rules and within the spirit of the game.
2. Never argue with an official. If you disagree, have your captain or coach approach the official during a break or after the competition.
3. Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials or other players, deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent is not acceptable or permitted in any sport.
4. Maintain your focus and work equally hard for yourself and your team.
5. Be a good sport and be prepared to acknowledge good play whether it be by your team or your opposition.
6. Treat all players as you would like to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully or take unfair advantage of another player.
7. Co-operate with your coach, team-mates and opponents, without them there would be no competition.
8. Show appreciation of coaches, officials and administrators, without them there would be no competition.
9. Play for the good of your team as well as your own enjoyment, not just to please others, including parents and coaches.
10. Arrive at games wearing the BNUSC uniform / merchandise.
11. Remove all jewellery prior to training and match play as it is a hazard to you and those around you, as well as being an official match requirement.
12. Do not accept or use banned or unauthorised drug(s), including the consumption of alcohol at any time.
13. BNUSC fully support the FFV approach to Zero Tolerance for inappropriate and un-sportsman like conduct. With this objective in mind, BNUSC require that all fines, penalties and costs are to be paid by the player (if over 18) or by the Parents/Guardians of a junior player should either party (player or parents/guardians) be the cause and are subsequently found guilty of such offences. If a penalty is incurred the player will be stood down from the team until such time as the fines are paid in full.
14. Escalation of any team issues must be communicated via the Team Manager
15. As a participant whether it be in an official or unofficial manner, all are required to abide by the mandated Victorian State Government documents and laws as set out in Child Safety and Protection legislation:
 - a) Children, Youth and Families Act 2005 (Vic);
 - b) Child Wellbeing and Safety Act 2005 (Vic); and
 - c) Crimes Act 1958 (Vic)
16. Further details relevant to the Child Safety Policy and Working With Children legislation can be found on the club website www.bnusc.org.au and accessed via Victorian Government website <http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/>

It is a requirement of all adults involved at Ballarat North United Soccer Club who are to have any contact with children (under the age of 18) to sign the Club Code of Conduct – Child Safety Provisions.