

# Ballarat North United Soccer Club



## CODE OF CONDUCT - COACHES

*"For the Good of the Game"*

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

1. Remember that players participate for the fun of it and that winning isn't everything.
2. Never ridicule or yell at a player for making a mistake or being in a losing team.
3. Be reasonable; in your demands on younger players' time, energy and enthusiasm.
4. Teach your players to abide by the Rules and Laws of the Game.
5. Whenever possible, alternate the group of players to ensure everyone has a reasonable chance of success.
6. Avoid overplaying the talented players as all players deserve equal time on the playing field.
7. Ensure that equipment and facilities meet a reasonable safety standard and are appropriate to the age and ability of the players.
8. Modify your approach to suit the skill levels and needs of the players.
9. Develop and enhance respect between players, opposition coaches and the decisions of the match officials.
10. Follow the advice of a physician when determining the extent of a player's injury and beyond that, when players are returning from injury to training and match play. Also, become aware and act appropriately in an incident that is implied to by the BDSA Concussion Policy.
11. Keep up to date with the latest coaching practices (refer to Coach Accreditation Criteria).
12. Take time out to teach players (& others) the Laws of the Game, hence raising their general awareness.
13. Remind all players to play within the spirit of the game at all times.
14. Ensure players are good sports and ensure each team member shakes the hands of their opponents at the conclusion of every match.
15. Do not smoke or consume alcohol from the team bench (Technical Area) or sideline.
16. Remember the actions of the coach and your team is reflective of the perception others take away with them.

**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.**