



Football Northern Territory

Coaches Code of Conduct

This Coaches Code of Conduct is intended:

To reinforce the elements of enjoyment and satisfaction to junior players and coaches involved in football.

To make adults including parents and coaches aware that young players play football to satisfy themselves and not necessarily to satisfy adults or team mates.

To improve the health and fitness of Northern Territory's youth by encouraging participation in football and making it attractive, safe and **enjoyable** for all to play.

To remind coaches and parents that football must be managed and coached, for the good of those young people who wish to play football, as ultimately "It is their game".

The Football NT Coaches Code of Conduct

I will respect the decisions of the Match Officials and refrain from arguing with a referee over a decision as I am a role model for my players.

I will respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their race, colour, religion, language, national or ethnic origin and ensure that everyone is treated equally and without harassment.

I will ensure that the players are involved in a positive environment, and that training and game day is a positive and enjoyable experience.

I will respect all player's individuality and help them reach their own full potential.

I will be fair, considerate and honest with all players.

I will be as professional as I can be and accept responsibility for my actions and encourage players to demonstrate the same qualities.

I will make a commitment to my team, and myself that I will continue to improve my own knowledge of the game through coach education and various training opportunities through Football NT.

I will coach my players to play within the rules and in the spirit of the game of football.

I will avoid any unnecessary physical contact with the players, and should it be required it would be appropriate to the situation and necessary for the player's skill development.

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I will refrain from any form of personal abuse towards my players. If I must shout from the sideline it will only be to encourage and congratulate and not demean a player.

I will provide a safe environment for training by ensuring the equipment and training area used meet basic safety standards.

I will show concern and caution towards sick and injured players and allow for further participation in training and competition only when appropriate.

I will not engage in the use of crude, foul or abusive language that may be determined offensive or engage in any conduct detrimental to the image of the game when on or off the field.

I will treat participants, officials and spectators with courtesy and respect.

I will not consent to the use of any banned substance or drugs of dependence by my players.

I will act in a responsible manner and accept responsibility for my actions.

I have read and understood the above code of conduct and will abide by that code of conduct whilst coaching in Northern Territory football.

Signed: _____

Name: _____

Club: _____