

# **BWSFC – Codes of Behavior and Conduct Policy**

## **REFERRE ABUSE:**

- It is against the spirit of the game and club policy for Coaches, Managers, Players, Parents, Careers and Spectators to engage in loud vocal criticism of referees; this applies to away games as well as home games.
- In the lower age non-competitive grades, the young referees involved are learning and should only be encouraged.
- It should be remembered that a decision is required to be made by the referee every time a player touches the ball and not every decision will be right for all people all the time.
- If you wish to discuss a referee's performance, then a written report to the club will be given consideration. You should never challenge a referee's decision but if you have a question about the rules please consult a club committee member.

## **PLAYERS CODE OF BEHAVIOUR:**

- Play by the rules and Never argue with an official.
- Verbal abuse of officials and sledging other players, deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent are not acceptable or permitted behaviors. The use of profanities or derogatory comments will not be tolerated.
- Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays whether they are made by your team or the opposition.
- Treat all participants in your sport as you like to be treated. Do not bully or take unfair advantage of another competitor.
- Co-operate with your coach, teammates and opponents. Without them there would be no game. Respect your coach.
- Never behave in a way that could bring BWSFC into disrepute or in any unsportsmanlike manner.
- All fines must be paid on time
- Will not smoke on or near fields or canteen facilities. This is in accordance with Section 6A of the *Smoke-free Environment Act 2000* which prohibits smoking at all sporting events.
- Will not consume alcohol before or during a game or on site at any fields home or away.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

## PARENTS CODE OF BEHAVIOUR:

- Remember that children participate in sport for their enjoyment – not yours.
- Encourage children to participate, do not force them. Encourage your child to always play by the rules and be a team player.
- Focus on the child's efforts and performance rather than winning or losing.
- Encourage children always to play according to the rules and never resort to hostility or violence.
- Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game.
- Remember that children learn best by example. Appreciate good performances and skilful plays by all participants.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.
- Respect officials' decisions and teach children to do likewise.
- Show appreciation for volunteer coaches, officials and administrators. Without them, your child could not participate. Support the coach. They **DO NOT** get paid for their time and dedication. Support the club.
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- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

## COACHES CODE OF BEHAVIOUR:

- Remember that young people participate for pleasure and winning is only part of the fun.
- Never ridicule or yell at a player for making a mistake or not winning.
- Be reasonable in your demands on players' time, energy and enthusiasm.
- Operate within the rules and spirit of the game and teach your players to do the same.
- Ensure that the time players spend with you is a positive experience. All players are deserving of equal attention and opportunities.
- Avoid overplaying the talented players; the just average need and deserve equal time.
- Ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of all players.
- Display control, respect and professionalism to all involved with the sport. This includes opponents, coaches, officials, administrators, parents and spectators. Encourage your players to do the same.
- Show concern and caution toward sick and injured players. Must Follow the advice of a physician when determining whether an injured player is ready to recommence training or competition.
- Obtain appropriate qualifications and keep up to date with the latest coaching practices and the principles of growth and development of players.
- Any physical contact with a junior player should be appropriate to the situation and necessary for the player's skill development.
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## **ADMINISTRATORS CODE OF BEHAVIOUR**

- Encourage young people in planning, leadership, evaluation and decision making related to the club operations.
- Give all young people equal opportunities to participate.
- Create pathways for young people to participate in sport not just as a player but as a coach, referee, administrator etc.
- Provide quality supervision for all club members.
- Remember that young people participate for their enjoyment and benefit. Do not overemphasize awards.
- Help coaches and officials highlight appropriate behavior and skill development and help improve the standards of coaching and officiating.
- Ensure that everyone involved in junior sport emphasizes fair play, and not winning at all costs.
- Make it clear that abusing people in any way is unacceptable and will result in disciplinary action.
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## **SPECTATORS CODE OF BEHAVIOUR**

- Remember that people participate in sport for their enjoyment and benefit, not yours.
- Applaud good performance and efforts from all individuals and teams. Congratulate all participants on their performance regardless of the game's outcome.
- Respect the decisions of officials and teach young people to do the same.
- Never ridicule or scold a player for making a mistake. Positive comments are motivational.
- Condemn the use of violence in any form, whether it is by spectators, coaches, officials or players.
- Show respect for your team's opponents. Without them there would be no game.
- Encourage players to follow the rules and the officials' decisions.
- Do not use foul language, sledge or harass players, coaches or officials.
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