

# **RURAL FRIENDLY LEAGUE** **CODE OF CONDUCT 2009/2010**

**PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL MANAGERS, COACHES, PARENTS & PLAYERS HAVE READ AND SIGNED THE CODE OF CONDUCT**

## **Parents & Players**

- I will:
- Remain outside the field of play and behind the Designated Spectator Area (where provided)
- Never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour
- Always respect the match officials' decisions
- Applaud effort and good play as well as success
- Remember that children play for FUN
- Let the coaches do their job and not confuse the players by telling them what to do
- Encourage the players to respect the opposition and match officials
- Never criticise a player for making a mistake – mistakes are part of learning
- Anyone in breach of the code shall be held responsible by the Rural Friendly League and be dealt with accordingly.

## **Managers & Coaches**

- - I will:**
  - Show respect to others involved in the game including match officials, opposition players, coaches, managers, officials and spectators
  - Adhere to the Laws of the Game
  - Display and promote high standards of behaviour
  - Always respect the match officials' decisions
  - Never enter the field of play without the referee's permission
  - Never engage in public criticism of the match officials
  - Never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour.

## **When working with players, I will:**

- Place the well-being, safety and enjoyment of each player above everything, including winning
- Explain exactly what I expect of players and what they can expect from me
- Ensure the players/carers of all players under the age of 18 understand these expectations
- Refrain from, and refuse to tolerate any form of bullying
- Develop mutual trust and respect with every player to build their self-esteem
- Encourage each player to accept responsibility for their own behaviour and performance
- Ensure all activities I organise are appropriate for the players' ability level, experience, age and maturity
- Co-operate fully with others in football (e.g. officials, doctors, physiotherapists, welfare officers) for each player's best interests.
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Please sign form enclosed.

