



ARL CODE OF CONDUCT



PLAYER

- * Be a good sport. Respect all good play whether from your team or the opposition and shake hands with and thank the opposition players and officials after the game – win, lose or draw.
- * Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit.
- * Always respect the referee's decision.
- * Never become involved in acts of foul play.
- * Honour both the spirit and letter of the competition rules and live up to the highest ideals of ethics and sportsmanship; avoid gamesmanship and respect the traditions of the game.
- * Never engage in disrespectful conduct of any sort including profanity, sledging, obscene gestures, offensive remarks, trash-talking, taunting or other actions that are demeaning to other players, officials or supporters.
- * Care for and respect the facilities and equipment made available to you during training and competition.
- * Safeguard your health; don't use any illegal or unhealthy substances.
- * Recognise that many officials, coaches and referees are volunteers who give up their time to provide their services. Treat them with the utmost respect.
- * Do not bet or otherwise financially speculate, directly or indirectly, on the outcome or any other aspect of a Rugby League match or competition in which you are involved.

COACHES

- * Actively discourage foul play and/or unsportsmanlike behaviour by players
- * Seek to maximise the participation and enjoyment for all players regardless of ability; avoid the tendency to over-use a talented player; treat all players as equals, regardless of their talent.
- * Show concern and caution towards all sick and injured players. Follow the advice of a physician and/or sports trainer to the letter when determining when an injured player is ready to recommence training or playing.
- * Teach players that an honest effort and competing to the best of their ability is as important as victory.
- * Maintain appropriate, professional relationships with players at all times.
- * Maintain a thorough knowledge of the rules of the game and keep abreast of current coaching methods; maintain or improve your current accreditation level.
- * Always consider the health, safety and welfare of the players.
- * Teach young players to realise that there is a big gap between their play and the professional game; do not coach them as if they are professionals.
- * Ensure that your coaching reflects the level of the competition being played; do not be a "winner-at-all-costs" coach.
- * As coach, conduct yourself at all times in a manner, and in all situations, that shows leadership, respect for the game of Rugby League and respect for all those that are involved in the game – the players, officials, the fans, the parents, the referees and the media.

OFFICIALS

- * Be impartial! Also, be consistent, objective and courteous.
- * Place the safety and welfare of the players above all else.
- * Avoid any situation which may lead to a conflict of interest, both on and off the field.
- * Condemn all and every instance of unsportsmanlike, foul or unfair play.
- * Set a good example by the way you dress, speak and act towards players, coaches, referees, officials, parents and spectators.



The Valley Eights Day of Difference

Saturday, 7th March 2009

Harbord Park

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By signing the below, indicates that you have read and will abide by the Australian Rugby Leagues Code of Conduct.

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