



Coaches Code of Conduct

Coaches play an essential role in supporting junior football (soccer) in Australia and are highly valued volunteers at Majura FC. Children learn best by example; therefore codes of conduct provide clear behavioural guidelines.

Majura Football Club requires all coaches, regardless of age group, to abide by the following Code of Conduct. Acceptance of a coaching position is regarded as an acceptance of the Code of Conduct. Failure to do so may result in a review of your position as coach by the Majura Football Club Executive Committee.

All coaches must read, and abide by, the following conditions:

- I will remember that the children play for pleasure and that winning is only part of the fun.
- I will remember that I am a role model. I will set an example of fair play at all games and training.
- I will not ridicule or verbally abuse a child for any reason.
- I will only make reasonable demands on the player's time, energy and enthusiasm.
- I will teach my players to abide by the rules of the game.
- I will respect match officials and their decisions. I will discuss with my team that officials may be learning too, and that they will make mistakes. Reacting badly to a controversial decision changes nothing, and reflects poorly on the individual, the team and the club. I will encourage them to ignore a perceived injustice and focus on the game.
- I will not use intimidating or threatening behaviour towards players, coaches, officials, parents/guardians or spectators.
- I will not use foul or abusive language, or racial, ethnic or gender based slurs while at any activity associated with Majura Football Club. I will not condone the use of same by my players.
- I will condemn the use of violence in any form by players, spectators, coaches or officials.
- I will ensure that all players, regardless of ability, receive equal playing time during games and throughout the season.
- I will ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of the players.
- I will follow medical advice in deciding when a player is ready to return to training or competition.
- I will endeavour to keep current with the latest coaching practices and utilize facilities and coaching development opportunities provided by the club.
- I understand that smoking, the consumption of alcohol, or the use of illicit drugs at any Majura FC activity is unacceptable.

Thanks for your support,

Majura Football Club Committee