

## **COACHES & MANAGERS CODE OF CONDUCT**

Coaches/Managers are responsible for the conduct of their players and the spectators on their side of the field, specifically as it relates to the referee, coaches, managers, players and spectators on the other team. Verbal and/or physical abuse will not be tolerated.

### **Coaches & Managers will:**

- Remember that players participate for pleasure and winning is only part of the fun.
- Never ridicule or yell at players for making a mistake or not winning.
- Be reasonable in demands on players' time, energy and enthusiasm.
- Operate within the rules and spirit of the game and teach players to do the same.
- Ensure that the time players spend with them is a positive experience. All players are deserving of equal attention and opportunities.
- Avoid overplaying talented players. All players deserve equal playing and training time, regardless of their ability.
- Ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age, maturity and ability of all players.
- Display control, respect and professionalism to all involved with football. This includes, but is not limited to, opponents, coaches, managers, officials, administrators, the media, parents and spectators. Players are encouraged to do the same.
- Show concern and caution toward sick and injured players. Follow the advice of a physician when determining whether an injured player is ready to practice or play.
- Keep up to date with the latest coaching practices and the principles of growth and development of young players.
- Understand that any physical contact with a player should be appropriate to football situations and necessary for the player's development.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
- Believe that the role as a coach is to contribute to the overall success, physical, and athletic growth of the player through participation in football.
- Endeavour to be a good instructor and a positive role model for all players.
- Acknowledge their behaviour brings credit to the individual, the Westlawn Tigers Football Club and the sport of football.
- Believe that referees, just as coaches and players, are attempting to do their best.
- Understand that their attitude can influence the players, coaches and spectators.
- Demand a sports environment for the children that are free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol.
- While attending any Westlawn Tigers Football Club organized event, ensure they behave and act in accordance with the Law and will not bring the club into disrepute.
- Attend the Westlawn Tigers Football club Disciplinary Committee to explain their actions if the game or the club is brought into disrepute.

- Attend the Westlawn Tigers Football club Disciplinary Committee when required to discuss, comment, report on or provide feedback on any disciplinary matter that is being addressed that I may have been involved with.