

Wests Scarborough Junior Rugby Union Club Bennet Park, Shearn Crescent, Doubleview WA 6018 Postal Address: PO Box 1217, Scarborough WA 6922 www.westsscarboroughrugby.com.au



Policy 09 Code of Conduct – Players

Policy Statement

Wests Scarborough Rugby Union Club (WSRUC) is committed to promoting and strengthening the positive image of Rugby and its Participants in the community.

Principles

All players are entitled to enjoy playing the game of Rugby, free from foul play and must treat their teammates, opposition players, referee and other officials with respect.

Rationale

Rugby is a contact sport that has demonstrably positive impacts on players in terms of team skills, social interaction, communication skills and self-discipline. It is also a sport considered by some in the community to be aggressive and potentially dangerous. It is important that players constantly strive to demonstrate the positive aspects of the game both on and off the field.

Implementation

WSRUC will:

- Provide players our Code of Behaviour and make clear what is expected and the consequences of non-compliance.
- Reinforce messages of fair and respectful behaviour by displaying signs and posters around our facilities and providing information on our website, in our newsletter and through other club communication.
- Encourage the reporting of incidents and investigate inappropriate behaviours as outlined in this policy and take disciplinary or whatever other actions as are deemed necessary

What we ask you to do

Players will:

- Be a good sport, displaying modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat.
- Treat everyone equally, fairly and with dignity regardless of gender or gender identity, sexual orientation, ethnicity, cultural or religious background, age or disability.

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- Avoid any form of bullying, harassment or discrimination which has no place in Rugby.
- Not repeatedly breach the Laws of the Game relating to Foul Play or Misconduct.
- Accept and respect the authority of a referee, assistant referee, touch judge or other match or team official.
- Not abuse, threaten or intimidate, use crude language or gestures, or show unnecessary obvious dissension, displeasure or disapproval towards a referee, touch judge or other match official, whether on or off the field, or a coach, manager or other team official.
- Not make any public comment that is critical of the performance of a match official, player, team official, coach or employee/officer/volunteer of any club.
- Use Social Media appropriately.
- Not otherwise act in a way that may adversely affect or reflect on, or bring you, your team, or the club into disrepute or discredit.

Non-Compliance

Players found to have behaved inappropriately may be banned from attending future training, games or other events as determined by the Committee.

Promoting this policy

WSRUC will:

• Place a copy of the policy on the Club's website.

Policy review

This policy will be reviewed annually to ensure it remains relevant to club operations and reflects both community expectations and legal requirements.

Further Information regarding this policy

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