



Central Coast Touch Football Association

PARENT AND GUARDIANS CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

Preamble

Central Coast Touch Football Association, the New South Wales Touch Association (NSWTA) along with the national body, Touch Football Australia (TFA) are committed to upholding our core values and create a safe, fair and inclusive environment for everyone associated with our sport. Our commitment is to ensure that every person involved in our sport is treated with respect and dignity and protected from discrimination, harassment and abuse.

You are acknowledging, even though a competitive representative event, the following will always apply:

- These are kids
- This is a game
- Coaches are volunteers
- Referees are human and are to be respected at all times
- This is a junior development event.

Code of Behaviour

In addition to the NSWTA's General Code of Behaviour, you must meet the following requirements with regard to your conduct during any activity held by or under the auspices of the NSWTA, the NSW Regions and or local associations, in your role as a parent and guardian:

1. Participation is key and should always be encouraged.
2. Focus upon your child's efforts and performance rather than the overall outcome of the event.
3. An honest effort is as important as victory.
4. Encourage your child to always play according to the rules and respect officials' and coaches' decisions.
5. Ensure all concerns and disputes regarding referees and or coaches are raised through the appropriate channels rather than questioning their judgement and honesty in public. This can be done by contacting Paul Farah paul.farah@centralcoasttouch.com
6. Support all efforts to set best examples of behaviour and sportsmanship
 - Do not tolerate the use of verbal and physical abuse, or any form of harassment.
 - Never use bad language nor harass players, coaches, officials or other spectators.
 - Never arrive at the grounds intoxicated or drink alcohol at junior matches or alcohol free events.



7. Support your child by providing positive feedback and praise, which motivate and encourage continued effort. Never ridicule, criticise or yell at a child for their performance - it is just a game!
8. Be a role model and demonstrate exemplary sports behaviour for children to copy. This can be done by:
 - Focus on your child and their team's effort, not the score.
 - Teach children to respect the efforts of teammates and opponents.
 - Applaud good play and performance, including your child's team mates and their opponents.
9. Recognise and respect the value and importance of volunteer administrators, coaches and referees. They give up their time for players and the club, and deserve your support. Communication towards all club officials must be respectful and courteous.
10. Support the use of age appropriate development activities and positional decisions. Coaches utilise their extensive skills and experience to teach players the rules, skills and structure of the game. This is integral for their development.

Player Training Expectations

11. Your child is a Dolphin's representative player, and as such, is committed to attend a reasonable number of team training sessions and competitions. We appreciate that representative touch football is a big commitment, both of time and financially; therefore, attending training sessions will ensure each individual player reaches their full potential and individual goals, positively contributing to the team's success.
12. It is not suitable for players to miss excessive representative team training sessions due to playing in other local sporting non-representative competitions.
13. If there are ongoing clashes between your child's team training schedule and other sporting commitments, please discuss this with the coach, so you can agree on a plan of attendance that is fair, reasonable and suitable for the team.

I, _____ have read and understood the policy and will abide by it as a member of Central Coast Touch Football Association. I understand that we must adhere to other third-party policies and guidelines established by the NSWTA and TFA.

Signature:

Date: