

MAYFIELD NETBALL CLUB INC

PARENT / GUARDIAN CODE OF CONDUCT

- 1 If your child is interested, encourage them to participate in the appropriate netball activity. However if your child is not willing to participate, do not force him or her. Remember, children are involved in organised activity for their enjoyment, not yours.
- 2 Focus upon your child's efforts and performance rather than the overall outcome of the event. This assists your child in setting realistic goals related to his/her ability by reducing the emphasis on winning.
- 3 Teach your child that an honest effort is as important as victory, so that the result of each game is accepted without undue disappointment.
- 4 Encourage your child to always play according to the rules.
- 5 Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game.
- 6 Remember that children learn best from example. Applaud good play by all players.
- 7 If you disagree with an umpire or coach raise the issue through the appropriate channels rather than question their judgment and honesty in public.
- 8 Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse.
- 9 Recognise and respect the value and importance of volunteer administrators, coaches and umpires. They give up their time and resources to provide recreational activities for players and deserve your support.
- 10 Be a model of good sports behaviour for children to copy.
- 11 Be courteous in communications with administrators, coaches, players and umpires. Teach children to do likewise.
- 12 Support the use of age appropriate development activities and modified rules.
- 13 Discourage the use of performance enhancing drugs, alcohol, tobacco and any illegal substance.
- 14 Condemn the use of violence in any form, be it by administrators, coaches, players, umpires or spectators.
- 15 Encourage players to play according to the rules and the official decisions, and develop your own knowledge of the rules.
- 16 Encourage your children to advise you of any problems or instances which they find upsetting or distressing to them. Request that they speak to you if there is a problem with an administrator, coach, umpire or spectator.