## **Parents**

#### I will:

- encourage my child to play within the rules and respect officials' and coaches' decisions
- teach my child to respect the efforts of their opponents
- remember that children learn best by example so I will applaud good plays/performances by both my child's team and their opponents
- give positive comments that motivate and encourage continued effort
- support my child's efforts and performance
- thank the coaches, officials and other volunteers who give their time to conduct the event for my child
- help when asked by a coach or official
- respect the rights, dignity and worth of all people involved in the game, regardless of their gender, ability or cultural background.

#### I will not:

- pressure my child in any way I know that this is their game not mine
- use bad language, nor will I harass players, coaches, officials or other spectators
- criticise or ridicule my child's performance after the game.

#### Coaches

#### I will:

- remember that players participate for enjoyment and winning is only part of the fun
- never ridicule or yell at players for making a mistake or not winning
- be reasonable in my demands on players' time, energy and enthusiasm
- operate within the rules and spirit of the game and teach my players to do the same
- ensure that the time players spend with me is a positive experience. All players are deserving of equal attention and opportunities
- avoid overplaying the talented players and understand that the average players need and deserve equal time
- ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of all players
- display control, respect and professionalism to all involved with the sport including
  opponents, referees, coaches, officials, administrators, the media, parents and spectators. I
  will encourage my players to do the same.
- show concern and caution toward sick and injured players and follow the advice of a
  physician when determining whether an injured player is ready to recommence training or
  competition
- obtain appropriate qualifications and keep up to date with the latest coaching practices and the principles of growth and development of young players
- respect the rights, dignity and worth of all people involved in the game, regardless of their gender, ability or cultural background

# I will not:

• use bad language nor will I harass players, officials, spectators or other coaches

# Players

### I will:

- always play by the rules
- never argue with an official. If I disagree with a decision I will inform the captain, coach or manager during a break or after the competition
- control my temper. I understand that verbal abuse of officials and other players or deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent is not acceptable or permitted behaviour in any sport
- work equally hard for myself and my team
- be a good sport and applaud all good plays whether they are made by my team or the opposition
- treat all players in my sport as I like to be treated. I will not bully or take unfair advantage of another competitor
- cooperate with my coach, team mates and opponents
- display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat
- participate for my own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please parents and coaches
- respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion
- thank the opposition and officials at the end of the game
- comply with anti-doping policies.