#### ADAMSTOWN ROSEBUD FOOTBALL CLUB

## POLICY – Code of Conduct for Club Coaches (Policy 1904)

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#### Introduction

The following policy seeks to clearly articulate the standards of behaviour that the Club expects from its Coaches.

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### **Policy**

Our appointed Club Coaches must:

- 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 their demands on players' time, energy and enthusiasm.
- Operate within the rules and spirit of the game and teach their players to do the same.
- Ensure that the time players spend with them is a positive experience.
- Not use bad language nor will they harass players, officials, spectators or other coaches.
- Help each player to reach their potential respect the talent, developmental stage and goals
  of each player and encourage with positive and supportive feedback.
- Ensure that facilities and equipment are appropriate to the age and ability of all players.
- Avoid unaccompanied and unobserved 1:1 activity (as coach) with players under 18 years.
- Display control, respect and professionalism to all involved with the sport including opponents, referees, coaches, officials, administrators, the media, parents and spectators.
- Follow the advice of a physician or physiotherapist 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.
- Not arrive at the venue intoxicated or drink alcohol at youth matches.
- Not allow the unlawful supply of alcohol at training, games or club functions.
- Adopt appropriate and responsible behaviour respecting the rights, dignity and worth of all people involved in the game, regardless of their gender, ability or cultural background.

Our appointed Club Coaches are also bound by the FFA Codes of Behaviour.

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# **Breach of Policy**

Should Club Coaches not follow this Code of Conduct, any or all of the following actions may be taken by the ARFC Board or competition administrator. They may:

- Be required to apologise to parents, players, other officials or administrators of the game.
- Receive a formal warning from the Board.
- Be suspended from attending matches, or be fined, or be required to leave the club and have their contract terminated.

