

ADAMSTOWN ROSEBUD FOOTBALL CLUB

POLICY – Code of Conduct for Youth Players (Policy 1905)

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Introduction

We all have a responsibility to promote high standards of behaviour in the game and as an NPL club we have higher standards to meet than most other clubs. The following policy seeks to clearly articulate the standards of behaviour that the Club expects from its Youth Players.

Policy

Our NPL Youth players must:

- Always play to the best of their ability.
- Adhere to the Laws of the Game and Play by the Rules, as directed by the match officials.
- Display and promote high standards of behaviour.
- Promote Fair Play – they will not cheat, complain or waste time.
- Always respect the match officials' decisions and never argue with a match official.
- Never engage in abuse or public criticism of the match officials during or after a match.
- Never engage in offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour towards players, match officials or club officials.
- Never engage in bullying, intimidation or harassment.
- Speak to their team-mates, the opposition and their coach/manager with respect.
- Remember that we all make mistakes and accept that mistakes will happen.
- Win or lose with dignity. Shake hands with the opposing team and the match officials at the end of every game.
- Listen and respond to what their coach/team manager tells them.
- Talk to someone they trust or the Member Protection Officer if they are unhappy about anything at the club.

Breach of Policy

Should they not follow the Code, any/all of the following actions may be taken by ARFC or NNSWF. Players may:

- Be required to formally apologise to their team-mates, the other team and the referee.
- Receive a formal warning from the coach or the club.
- Be dropped or substituted, or not selected for the team.
- Be required to serve a suspension imposed by the club or by NNSWF, or be asked to leave the club.

Players should also be aware that NNSWF could impose a fine, suspension or loss of competition points against their team or ARFC in some circumstances. In these situations, if a fine is levied against an individual player, ARFC reserves the right to pass on that fine to the player involved.

collaborative effort - mutual respect - hard work - discipline