



# MOORoopNA FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB INC. (“MFNC”)

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## CODE OF CONDUCT

### Officials and Volunteers

**PLEASE NOTE:** Officials by registering via the PlayHQ portal you are agreeing to the Code of Conduct and by Volunteering for the MFNC you also agree to abide by the Code of Conduct.

The Mooroopna Football Netball Club Inc. (“the Club”) Officials and Volunteers Code of Conduct is in place to ensure football is positive and enjoyable for everyone. All Officials and Volunteers are expected to abide by the Code of Conduct, which is applicable to all Club activities including fixtured games, team training, social events and other official club or team events.

#### DEFINITIONS:

1. **Officials & Club Officials** - means administrator's, committee members, team managers, game day operations roles, paid club positions and trainers.
2. **Volunteers** – means any person assisting the MFNC in a non-paid capacity.

#### Each Official must:

- a. Not bring the game of Australian Football, the AFL, or the League or the Club into disrepute;
- b. Participate in Competition Matches in accordance with the Laws of Australian Football;
- c. Respect the spirit of the Laws of Australian Football and fair play, and behave accordingly;
- d. Display and foster respect for Umpires, opponents, Coaches, administrators, Officials, parents and spectators;
- e. Never argue with or dispute a decision of an Official or Umpire. If a Participant disagrees with a decision, they should deal with their dispute in accordance with the relevant Rules, Regulations, Policies and Determinations;
- f. Treat all players as you would like to be treated. Never ridicule or scorn a player for making a mistake – respect their efforts;
- g. Control their emotions, and not engage in verbal abuse of or swearing at or in the vicinity of others; sledging Players and/or Coaches or behaviour that deliberately distracts or provokes an opponent;
- h. Never engage in any type of violence either on or off the field;



- i. Contribute to a safe sporting environment and respectful culture which is accepting of individual differences, and behave accordingly;
- j. Comply with the AFL and Goulburn Valley League (GVL) Rules and Regulations including the National Member Protection Policy, the League By-Laws and this Code of Conduct;
- k. Cooperate with their Club Officials, Coaches and teammates;
- l. Participate for their own enjoyment and benefit and for the enjoyment and benefit of their Club;
- m. Comply with and observe the AFL Vilification and Discrimination Policy including respecting the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of gender, ability, sexual orientation, ethnicity, cultural background or religion;
- n. Not engage in conduct that is, unethical, unbecoming or likely to cause harm to the reputation of the Participant or the Club;
- o. Not take part in any form of bullying including via the use of social media;
- p. Not make or post inappropriate, offensive or discriminatory comments in public, including via social media, about Players, Clubs, Umpires, Officials, the AFL, or the League. Social media includes, but is not limited to, email, instant messaging, text messages, phone messages, digital images, website postings (including social media such as, but not limited to Facebook, Twitter, SnapChat, LinkedIn, Instagram, websites and blogs) and;
- q. Use appropriately the facilities and equipment made available for administration, coaching, training, competition matches and events, including facilities provided by the opposing teams;
- r. Abide by liquor licensing laws, adhere to signage and directions to ensure a safe place for all, all in step with the Club Good Sports Policy;
- s. Understand that the Club strongly condemns all violent or illegal acts, whatever the act, wherever or to whomever they are directed;
- t. Be willing to be involved in local football development and promotional activities; and
- u. Be prepared to be responsible for your actions.

**Each Volunteer must:**

- v. Comply with the GVL, AFL Victoria, and Netball Victoria player behavioral guidelines;
- w. Always act as good role models and ambassadors for the Club;
- x. Always welcome opposition players, spectators, officials etc. to the Club;
- y. Never use offensive language or behaviour;
- z. Treat everyone including the opposition with respect regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background, or religion;
- aa. Display consistently high standards of good sporting behaviour by respecting official's and their decisions at all times;
- bb. Adhere to the smoke-free policies of the Club;
- cc. Not to consume alcohol in any place other than where the Club's license allows; and
- dd. Adhere to and support the Club policies.



The Mooroopna Football Netball Club Inc. its officials, coaches, players, volunteers and supporters abide by and also complies with the following relevant government and sporting bodies Codes of Conduct and Regulations:

Victorian Government Fair Play Code: [Fair Play Code](#)

AFL Victoria Code of Conduct: [Click Here](#)

Netball Code of Conducts: [Click here](#)

**Repeated disregard of the expectations outlined in this Code of Conduct may face a review of official / volunteer alignment with the Mooroopna Football Netball Club Inc.**

**I have read and understood the Code of Conduct and will abide by it as a Member of the Mooroopna Football Netball Club Inc.**