



CODE OF CONDUCT - PLAYER

In addition to the [Football Australia National Conduct and Ethics](#), all Northern Suburbs Football Association (NSFA) players are required to comply with this Player Code of Conduct for the duration of their registration with any NSFA club.

Players must:

- Play by the rules and respect the decisions of match officials.
- Abide by the NSFA RESPECT Policy.
- Recognise that participation in community sport is about enjoyment, development, and teamwork — not just winning.
- Display good sportsmanship, fairness, and integrity on and off the field.
- Be accountable for their actions on and off the field.
- Acknowledge the NSFA's zero-tolerance approach to illicit drugs and excessive alcohol consumption.
- Treat teammates, opponents, coaches, referees, and volunteers with respect and dignity.
- Never engage in behaviour that is abusive, discriminatory, harassing, or violent.
- Follow team rules, attend training sessions, and respect the guidance of coaches.
- Cooperate with coaches, club officials, and teammates for the benefit of the team.
- Contribute positively to an inclusive and supportive team culture.
- Respect facilities, equipment, and community spaces.
- Communicate respectfully with teammates, coaches, and officials — both in person and online.
- Avoid behaviour that brings their club or the NSFA into disrepute.
- Wear appropriate and approved playing equipment.
- Report any concerns regarding safety, wellbeing, or misconduct to a coach, manager, or club official.

Breaches of the Code of Conduct

Any breach of this Code of Conduct may result in action being taken in accordance with the Northern Suburbs Football Association's Protests, Disputes & Discipline (PD & DC) Regulations. The NSFA reserves the right to investigate

concerns, apply appropriate sanctions, and enforce all relevant policies to ensure a safe, respectful, and inclusive football environment.