

Wanneroo Districts Netball Association Inc.

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WDNA CODES OF BEHAVIOUR

PLAYERS

- Play by the rules and for the fun of the game.
- Respect the decisions of officials, umpires, coaches, and administrators.
- Show respect and courtesy to all involved with the sport.
- Respect the rights and worth of every person, regardless of their age, race, gender, ability, cultural background, sexuality, or religion.
- Do not use abusive, bullying, or threatening behaviour.
- Verbal abuse of officials or other players, deliberately fouling or provoking an opponent and throwing equipment is not acceptable or permitted in any sport.
- Be a good sport. Cheer all good plays, whether they be by your team or the other team.
- Treat all players as you would like to be treated.
- Avoid use of derogatory language.
- Act with integrity and objectivity and accept responsibility for your decisions and actions.
- Co-operate with your coach, team-mates and opponents and umpires. Without them there would be no game.



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COACHES

- Be reasonable in your demands on your players' time, energy, and enthusiasm.
- Place the safety and welfare of the participants above all else.
- Be aware of and support the sport's injury management plans and return to play guidelines.

Coaching excellence

- Help each person (athlete, official, etc) to reach their potential. Respect the talent, developmental stage and goals of each person and encourage them with positive and constructive feedback.
- All players need equal court time.
- Encourage and support opportunities for people to learn appropriate behaviours and skills.
- Support opportunities for participation in all aspects of the sport.
- Treat each participant as an individual.
- Never ridicule or yell at the players for making mistakes or losing a competition.
- Obtain appropriate qualifications and keep up to date with the latest coaching practices and the principles of growth and development of participants.

Honour the sport

- Act within the rules and spirit of your sport. Teach your players that rules of the sport are mutual agreements which no one should evade or break.
- Promote fair play over winning at any cost.
- Respect the decisions of officials, umpires, coaches and administrators.
- Show respect and courtesy to all involved with the sport.
- Remember that we participate for fun and enjoyment and that winning is only part of their motivation.

Integrity

- Act with integrity and objectivity and accept responsibility for your decisions and actions.
- Ensure your decisions and actions contribute to a harassment-free environment.
- Wherever practical, avoid unaccompanied and unobserved one-on-one activity (when in a supervisory capacity or where a power imbalance exists) with people under the age of 18.
- Ensure that any physical contact with another person is appropriate to the situation and necessary for the person's skill development.
- Follow the advice of a physician when determining when an injured player is ready to recommence play.

Respect

- Respect the rights and worth of every person, regardless of their age, race, gender, ability, cultural background, sexuality, or religion.
- Do not tolerate abusive, bullying, or threatening behaviour.
- Develop team respect for the ability of opponents as well as for the judgement of officials and opposing coaches.



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SPECTATORS

Respect

- Each member is responsible in helping to provide a safe environment for participation. Aggressive, threatening, or other inappropriate behaviour by members, their families, their friends, and other sporting personnel while attending a game or event will not be tolerated.

These behaviours specifically include:

- Using bad language.
- Harassing or ridiculing players, coaches, officials, umpires, or other spectators.
- Making racist, religious, sexist, or other inappropriate comments to players, coaches, officials, or other spectators.
- Any threatening behaviour or physical altercation between spectators and players, coaches, officials, umpires, or other spectators.
- Putting undue pressure on children, berating them, or putting down their performance.
- Partaking in alcohol or drugs at a game or training.
- Applaud good performances and efforts from each team. Congratulate all participants upon their performance, regardless of the game's outcome.

Honour the sport

- Respect the official's decisions. If there is a disagreement, follow the appropriate procedure in order to question the decision and teach the players to do likewise.
- Never ridicule a player or umpire for making a mistake during a competition. Positive comments are motivational.
- Condemn the use of violence in any form, be it by spectators, coaches, officials, umpires, or players.
- Show respect for your team's opponents. Without them there would be no game.
- Encourage players to follow the rules and the official's and umpire's decisions.
- Recognize the value and importance of volunteer coaches and officials and umpires. They give their time and resources to provide recreational activities for the children and deserve your support.