



## Code of Conduct Players

### Overview

All participants in our sport have a responsibility to promote respect and good behaviour to ensure our clubs and our game are free from all forms of bullying and abuse.

All players must abide by this Code of Conduct and demonstrate behaviours that promote a safe, welcoming and inclusive environment within our sport.

### Responsibilities

- 1) Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit.
- 2) Participate as a registered player of Bentleigh Greens Soccer Club.
- 3) Respect all participants, including players, spectators, team officials and match officials, and respect the rights and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background, or religion.
- 4) Play fair, play by the rules of the sport, and play to the best of your ability, always.
- 5) Be a good sport, displaying modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat.
- 6) Respect the equipment and facilities provided to you by Bentleigh Greens Soccer Club.
- 7) Be honest with your coach concerning illness and injury, and your ability to train and play.
- 8) Never yell at, ridicule, or criticise other participants. They are all trying their best.
- 9) Co-operate with your coach, teammates, referees, and opponents. Without them, there would be no competition.
- 10) Follow the directions of your team officials and match officials.
- 11) Do not argue with the match official regarding decisions made. If you disagree, have your captain or coach approach the match official during a break in play or after the match is concluded.
- 12) Control your temper when on or off the field. Verbal abuse of officials or other players, deliberately distracting or provoking another person is not acceptable or permitted in any sport.
- 13) Don't use crude, foul or abusive language that may be deemed offensive or engage in any conduct detrimental to the image of the game or the Bentleigh Greens Soccer Club.
- 14) Be respectful whether you win or lose. Shake hands with the other team and match official at the end of the game.
- 15) Don't use any banned substance or drugs of dependence whilst registered and representing Bentleigh Greens Soccer Club.
- 16) If you feel unsafe or uncomfortable at Bentleigh Greens Soccer Club speak to someone you trust.