



**CLUB  
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## Code of Conduct Spectators

### Overview

A key priority of Bentleigh Greens Soccer Club is to ensure all spectators are able to enjoy football in a safe, welcoming and inclusive environment.

All spectators of our game 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.

Accordingly, by entering this venue, all spectators agree to be bound by the terms of this Spectator Code of Behaviour, the Bentleigh Greens Soccer Club Conditions of Entry and Football Victoria's Member Protection and Misconduct By-Laws.

### Responsibilities

All spectators attending trials, training sessions and/or matches or otherwise involved in any activity staged or sanctioned by FA, FV or an affiliate Regional Association or Bentleigh Greens Soccer Club must:

- 1) Show appreciation of coaches, officials and administrators.
- 2) Respect the decisions of match officials as being fair and called to the best of their ability and do not argue with the match official regarding decisions made.
- 3) Respect the performances and efforts of all participants including players, coaches and officials.
- 4) Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, race, colour, religion, sexual orientation, language, politics, national or ethnic origin.
- 5) Demonstrate appropriate social behaviour by not using foul language or harassing players, coaches, or officials.
- 6) Not engage in the use of violence in any form, whether towards another person including fellow spectators, players or match/team officials (including coaches, ground marshalls or players).
- 7) Not engage in acts of discrimination, harassment, or abuse towards any person, including:
  - a) the use of obscene or offensive language and/or gestures; and/or
  - b) the incitement of hatred or violence; and/or
  - c) or indecent or racist chanting.
- 8) Comply with all Bentleigh Greens Soccer Club policies.
- 9) Comply with all conditions of entry of the Bentleigh Greens Soccer Club. including provisions relating to security screening, intoxication, and items that are prohibited by law or restricted by policy from being brought into the venue.



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- 10)** Never throw missiles, projectiles, or objects of any description at players, match officials, or fellow spectators, including not light or throw flares on to the field of play or at other spectators.
- 11)** Not enter or attempt to enter the field of play or playing arena without lawful authority.
- 12)** Always respect the use of facilities and equipment provided.
- 13)** Refrain from any disorderly conduct or conduct that may injure the reputation and goodwill of the club and the code of football generally.
- 14)** Behave in a manner that enhances, rather than injures, the reputation and goodwill of the Bentleigh Greens Soccer Club, Football Victoria, Football Federation Australia (FFA) and football generally.

Any person who does not comply with this Code of Conduct or who, in the opinion of the Bentleigh Greens Soccer Club and/or Football Victoria, otherwise causes or is reasonably likely to cause a disturbance may be evicted from the venue and may be banned from attending future events and/or programs.

Any offender who breaches a ban order against them may be charged with trespass and subject to further penalties and sanctions, including the possibility of legal action.