

CODE OF CONDUCT

Purpose

The code of conduct is intended to improve respect amongst players (junior and senior), coaches, team managers, club officials, match officials, spectators and parents. Further, the purpose is to ensure that all parties are committed to the same standard of fair play when playing for our Association.

Discrimination

De Beers AFC strongly support a zero tolerance approach against racism and all forms of discrimination. Accordingly any form of discriminatory abuse whether it be based on race or ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender, faith, age, ability or any other form of abuse will be reported to necessary officials for action by relevant authorities.

Equality

De Beers AFC will always ensure that everyone has an equal chance to be involved in football, regardless of ability, race, religion, gender, sexual orientation or disability. We are about encouraging and increasing the involvement of groups at all levels of football by recognising that inequalities exist and taking steps to address them.

The Code of conduct will be printed on the back of the junior, senior and match officials registration forms as of 2024. Signing of these disclaimers is compulsory. Registration will not be processed if the form is not signed.

Code of Conduct: Senior Players

We all have a responsibility to promote high standards of behaviour in the game. Football should be played in the spirit of the fair play rules and the game should be enjoyed by players, match officials and spectators alike.

On and off the field, I will:

- 1) Adhere to the Laws of the Game and at all times show respect for other players, officials and supporters;
- 2) Display and promote high standards of behaviour that promote a positive image for the sport;
- 3) Promote fair play and behave within the spirit of the Laws of the Game;
- 4) Always respect the match officials' decisions and play to the referee's whistle;
- 5) Not retaliate when badly tackled or receiving abuse, but rather inform my team captain or the match referee;
- 6) Never engage in offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour and avoid bullying, intimidation or poor behaviour;
- 7) Speak to my teammates, the opposition and my coach/manager with respect, and remember to give positive inputs and feedback to my teammates;
- 8) Ask my team captain to talk to the referee if I have a problem relating to the game;
- 9) Respect the usage of facilities and equipment prescribed for all games;
- 10) Remember that we all make mistakes; and
- 11) Shake hands with the opposing team and the match officials at the end of every game regardless of the outcome.

I understand that any breaches of the code may result in action being taken by my Association.

Name

Date