

### **Dingley Football Netball Club**

ABN 71 844 518 008 Souter Oval, Marcus Road P.O. Box 47 Dingley Village, Victoria 3172 http://www.dingleyfc.com.au

# Code of Conduct for Players, Coaches and Officials

### Date: 20th May, 2024

#### **Objectives**

The Objective of the Code of Conduct for Players and Officials is to ensure the values of the Dingley Football Netball Club (Connected, Accountable Inclusive and Respectful) are upheld to create and sustain a safe and productive environment for all Players and Officials.

The Dingley Football Netball Club aspires to be seen in the Community as a "Family Friendly" environment where families can come and enjoy a game of Football or Netball without having to deal with "rude, impolite or loutish" behaviour.

When a Player or Official wears the Dingley Football Netball club apparel they are representing the Football Netball Club in Community and the image we wish to project must be a positive one.

### Responsibilities

All matches and club functions shall be conducted in a manner that ensures members and visitors are able to participate and enjoy without being affected by irresponsible or unruly behaviour.

This Code of Conduct requires all Players, Coaches and Officials of the Dingley Football Netball Club to adhere to the following guidelines as sanctioned by the Club Executive:

### **Code of Conduct Policy**

- I agree to be an upstanding citizen of the Dingley Football Netball Club and obey the law.
- No player, coach, or official, whether on or off the field of play, shall engage in conduct unbecoming or prejudicial to the interests of the Club.
- All players, coaches, or officials shall:
  - o Respect each other and visitors at all times;
  - Not verbally or physically abuse or threaten any person;
  - Not racially abuse or threaten any person;
  - Not dispute any decision in a threatening or disapproving manner;
  - Not use abusive or obscene language in public and at games;
  - Respect the rules of the competition in which we are engaged and any premises in which we are attendant.

### **Alcohol and Drugs**

The Dingley Football Netball Club owes a responsibility to the Dingley Community to serve
Alcohol in a safe and lawful manner that has no impact on the Community. As a result of this,
the Dingley Football Netball Club strongly endorses the responsible consumption of alcohol
policy as well <u>as implementing a zero tolerance approach to illicit Drug taking.</u>

### **Consumption of Alcohol**

The consumption of Alcohol at the Dingley Football Netball Club is a privilege, not a right.
 Should I choose to consume alcohol, I acknowledge I will be served liquor in accordance with the responsible serving of alcohol policy and will be bound by the laws and regulations of the said policy. Any breaches of this policy may result in suspension or dismissal from the club.



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### **Underage Drinking**

Underage drinking is against the law. To supply alcohol to a minor will breach the regulations
of the Dingley Football Netball Club's liquor license. As such, the Dingley Football Netball Club
takes a zero tolerance stance on underage drinking. Any Dingley Football Netball Club Player,
Coach or Official found drinking under age or supplying alcohol to a minor may be dismissed
from the club and/or reported to the police.

### **Illicit Drugs**

- Illicit Drug taking is against the law. Any Dingley Football Netball Club Player, Coach or
  Official found taking, being under the influence of drugs may be dismissed from the club or
  required to attend diversionary programs on the dangers of substance abuse.
- Any person supplying drugs will be reported to the police and dismissed from the club.

#### **Social Media**

Social media is an exceptional way of communicating to the wider community on what the
club is doing in terms of games, social events and game results. The Football Netball Club will
therefore not tolerate any bullying, inappropriate comments or any other behaviour that is
considered unacceptable by the Club Executive on club sanctioned sites. Should a player
breach this policy they may be called before the Club Executive to explain their comments.
This could lead to a suspension, match payment fine, or counselling. Please refer to the
Dingley Football Club, Social Media Policy

### **Use of Images**

- The Dingley Football Netball Club may wish to record images of participants during this
  competition for promotional and training/development purposes. These images may be
  used in mediums including: publications and promotional material, and broadcast, print and
  electronic media.
- The Dingley Football Netball Club agrees not to use any photo in a manner that may be deemed adverse or defamatory to the person(s) involved and it will not use the photo for any commercial gain. The photo will remain the property of the Dingley Football Netball Club and any personal details regarding this photo will be kept confidential and will not be used for any purpose other than related to this photo.
- During this competition parents and family of players may wish to record images of their family members participating for personal use only. Where possible such requests will be authorised and subject to certain conditions, noting that on public land this is not enforceable.
- The Dingley Football Netball Club will ensure that any photographs taken are reviewed by the Media Manager for appropriateness to share on the Dingley Football Netball Club Social Media Platforms and Websites.
- The Dingley Football Netball Club will seek the permission of any player photographed for use on Membership Cards, Stubby Holders, Posters or any other permanent form of advertisement.
- It is a condition of entry into the Southern Football Netball League competition that participants may be subject to photography/filming as described above and that consent is provided for this purpose.



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Nothing detailed in this policy will prohibit the club from taking immediate action against any individual.

### Acknowledgement of Code of Conduct for Coaches, Players and Officials.

• I understand that this code of conduct policy applies not only during matches, but also at training and whenever I am representing the Dingley Football Netball Club, including spectating at any other venue where the Dingley Football Netball Club are playing.

I have read and understood the above Code of Conduct and agree to abide by it or be held accountable for any breaches

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