**Code of Conduct**

**Players**

This Code of Conduct has been provided as a general guide only. Please edit this Code of Conduct to ensure it reflects the needs of your club and is consistent with any requirements set out in your club’s rules and/or applicable legislation or governing documents.

Please delete this message prior to releasing the Code of Conduct.

**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 welcoming environment within our sport.

**Responsibilities**

1. Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit.
2. Respect all other participants and the rights and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background, or religion.
3. Play fair, play by the rules, and play to the best of your ability, always.
4. Be a good sport, displaying modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat.
5. Respect the equipment and facilities provided to you as part of your program.
6. Be honest with your coach concerning illness and injury, and your ability to train and play.
7. Never yell at, ridicule, or criticise other participants. They are all trying their best.
8. Cooperate with your coach, teammates, referees, and opponents. Without them, there would be no competition.
9. Respect and follow the directions of your team officials and match officials.
10. Do not argue with the match official. If you disagree, have your captain or coach approach the match official during a break in play or after the match is concluded.
11. Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials or other players, deliberately distracting or provoking another person is not acceptable or permitted in any sport.
12. Be respectful whether you win or lose. Shake hands with the other team and match official at the end of the game.
13. If you feel unsafe or uncomfortable at your club speak to someone you trust.

**Agreed By**I, Click or tap here to enter text. have read and understood the policy and will abide by it as a member of Click or tap here to enter text..

Signature:
Date: Click or tap to enter a date.

If under 18 years of age, parent/guardian:

Signature:
Date: Click or tap to enter a date.

**Disclaimer**

*DISCLAIMER: While all care has been taken in the preparation of this material and the entire FV Resource Library, no responsibility is accepted by the author(s) or Football Victoria, its staff, volunteers or partners, for any errors, omissions or inaccuracies. The material provided in this resource has been prepared to provide general information and guidance only. It is not intended to be relied upon or be a substitute for legal or other professional advice. No responsibility will be accepted by the author(s) or Football Victoria or its staff, volunteers or partners for any known or unknown consequences that may result from reliance on any information provided in this publication.*