



SPECTATOR CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

It is important that all spectators at a Football Victoria (FV) approved fixture are able to enjoy the match in a safe and comfortable environment. Accordingly, each person present at a FV fixture must:

- (a) Respect the decisions and instructions of the Match Officials and Ground Marshal's.
- (b) Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their age, gender, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, ability, race, colour, religion, language, politics, national or ethnic origin.
- (c) Never ridicule or scold a child for making a mistake.
- (d) Not engage in the use of violence in any form, whether it is by other Spectators, Team Officials (including coaches) or Players.
- (e) Not engage in any form of verbal, physical or online bullying.
- (f) Not engage in discrimination, harassment, or abuse in any form whether lawful or otherwise, including but not limited to the use of obscene or offensive language or gestures, the incitement of hatred or violence or partaking in indecent or racist chanting.
- (g) Respect the facilities and equipment of all clubs and venues.
- (h) Report any instances of discrimination or threatening behaviour.
- (i) Comply with FV's "Conditions of Entry" at all venues, and any ticket conditions.
- (j) Not carry, light, or throw flares or missiles (including on to the field of play or at other spectators).
- (k) Not enter the field of play or its surrounds without lawful authority.
- (l) Conduct themselves in a manner that enhances, rather than injures, the reputation and goodwill of FV, Football Australia (FA) and football generally.

Any person who does not comply with this Code or who in the opinion of the Club and/or FV causes or attempts to cause or is reasonably likely to cause a disturbance may be evicted from the venue and banned from attending future matches held on behalf of FV. Any offender who then breaches the ban order against them may be charged with trespass and subject to further penalties and sanctions, including the possibility of further legal action.