

SACSA SPORTS CODES OF CONDUCT

1. FOR SCHOOL STAFF

- 1.1. Remember that children enjoy many different aspects of sport and that winning is only one part of that.
- 1.2. Set a good example of Christian character for your players.
- 1.3. Be generous with praise, but discreet, constructive, and very selective with criticism.⁵
- 1.4. Coach your players to always play by the rules.⁶
- 1.5. Keep your own knowledge of coaching and the developments of the game up to date.
- 1.6. Be an example of respect for opponents, officials, and other coaches. Use appropriate language at all times.⁷ Verbal abuse / swearing or ridiculing player or official is not permitted under any circumstances.
- 1.7. Be decisive, prompt, and consistent in dealing with inappropriate behaviour from your players.⁸
- 1.8. Remove from the field of play any of your players whose behaviour is not acceptable.
- 1.9. Establish and maintain a safe physical and emotional environment for all players all the time.
- 1.10. Where spectators' (including parents) behaviour is inappropriate first warn, then ask them to remove themselves from the spectator area. Make a written report to your schools' sports coordinator for any such incidents and notify the SACSA Sports convenor.
- 1.11. Ensure that adequate supervision is provided for your school's students at training and at all SACSA Sports events.

Bible References

Players | Coaches | Spectators/Parents

⁶ "Do not become weary or lose heart in doing right" (2 Thessalonians 2:13).

⁵ "Fathers, do not embitter your children, or they will become discouraged" (Colossians 3: 21)

⁷ "If anyone can control his tongue, it proves that he has perfect control over himself in every other way" (James 3: 2)

⁸ "Discipline your son in his early years while there is hope. If you don't you will ruin his life" (Proverbs 19:18)