

## **Players, Coaches & Officials Code of Conduct**

### **Lower Great Southern Hockey Association (LGSHA)**

1. Treat all players, coaches, managers, officials & supporters with respect at all times.
2. Behave in a sportsmanlike manner at all times to other players, coaches, officials & spectators.
3. Place the safety and welfare of the players, coaches, officials & spectators above all else.
4. Avoid situations that may lead to a conflict of interest.
5. Be courteous, respectful and open to discussion and interaction.
6. Make no detrimental statements in public and use the standard resolution process as set by the LGSHA in respect of the performance of any match officials or umpires.
7. Promote a climate of mutual support amongst the players, coaches, officials & spectators. Encourage players, coaches, officials & spectators to respect one another and their worth within the LGSHA.
8. Encourage and facilitate players, coaches, officials & spectators' independence and responsibility for their own behaviour, performance, decisions and actions.
9. Determine, in consultation with the players, coaches, officials & spectators, what information is confidential and respect that confidentiality.
10. Avoid situations with players, coaches, officials & spectators that could be construed as compromising.
11. Adhere to the Anti-Doping Policy advocated by Hockey Australia.
12. Provide a safe environment for training and competition.
13. Recognise individual differences in players, coaches, officials & spectators and cater to these as best you can.
14. Refrain from using obscene, offensive or insulting language and/or making obscene gestures which may insult players, coaches, officials or spectators.
15. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
16. Accept responsibility for all actions taken. Exercise reasonable care to prevent injury by ensuring players, coaches, officials & spectators play within the rules.
17. Be impartial and maintain integrity in your relationship with other players, coaches, officials & spectators.
18. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

## **Spectator Code of Behaviour**

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As a spectator watching an event that is conducted or sanctioned by LGSHA, you must meet the following requirements with regard to your conduct.

1. Spectators are an important part of the game and shall at all times conform to accepted standards of good sportsmanship and Behaviour.
2. Spectators shall at all times respect officials, coaches and players and extend all courtesies to them.
3. Lead by example and respect all players, coaches, umpires and fellow spectators – physical or verbal abuse will not be tolerated.
4. Respect the umpires' decision. Do not abuse, threaten or intimidate an umpire or match official and do not show dissension, displeasure or disapproval towards an umpire or match official's decision in an abusive or unreasonable fashion.
5. Support skilled performances and show respect for opposition teams and players.
6. Display appropriate social behaviour by not using profane, demeaning or derogatory language, or harassing players, coaches, officials or other spectators.
7. Leave the spectator area tidy and free from litter.
8. Do not ridicule mistakes or losses – supporters are there to support.
9. Acknowledge all volunteers who are giving up their valuable time to enable the conduct of competition.
10. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

