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COACHES

- Operate within the rules and spirit of your sport, promoting fair play over winning at any cost
- Encourage and support opportunities for people to learn appropriate behaviours and skills
- Support opportunities for participation in all aspects of the sport
- Treat each person as an individual
- Display control and courtesy to all involved with the sport
- Respect the rights and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion
- Respect the decisions of officials, coaches and administrators in the conduct of the sport
- Wherever practical, avoid unaccompanied and unobserved one-on-one activity (when in a supervisory capacity or where a power imbalance will exist) with people under the age of 18 years
- Adopt appropriate and responsible behaviour in all interactions
- Adopt responsible behaviour in relation to alcohol and other drugs
- Act with integrity and objectivity, and accept responsibility for your decisions and actions
- Ensure your decisions and actions contribute to a safe environment
- Ensure your decisions and actions contribute to a harassment free environment
- Do not tolerate harmful or abusive behaviours
- Place the safety and welfare of the athletes above all else
- Help each person (athlete, official etc) reach their potential – respect the talent, developmental stage and goals of each person and compliment and encourage with positive and supportive feedback
- Any physical contact with a person should be appropriate to the situation and necessary for the person's skill development
- Be honest and do not allow your qualifications to be misrepresented

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- Do not tolerate harmful or abusive behaviours
- Place the safety and welfare of the athletes above all else
- Be consistent and impartial when making decisions
- Address unsporting behaviour and promote respect for all people

PLAYERS

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- Act with integrity and objectivity, and accept responsibility for your decisions and actions
- Ensure your decisions and actions contribute to a safe environment
- Ensure your decisions and actions contribute to a harassment free environment
- Do not tolerate harmful or abusive behaviours
- Give your best at all times
- Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit

ADMINISTRATORS

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- Act with integrity and objectivity, and accept responsibility for your decisions and actions
- Ensure your decisions and actions contribute to a safe environment
- Ensure your decisions and actions contribute to a harassment free environment
- Do not tolerate harmful or abusive behaviours
- Act honestly, in good faith and in the best interests of the sport as a whole
- Ensure that any information acquired or advantage gained from the position is not used improperly
- Conduct your responsibilities with due care, competence and diligence
- Do not allow prejudice, conflict of interest or bias to affect your objectivity

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- Ensure your decisions and actions contribute to a safe environment
- Ensure your decisions and actions contribute to a harassment free environment
- Do not tolerate harmful or abusive behaviours
- Encourage children to participate and have fun
- Focus on the child's effort and performance rather than winning or losing
- Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a competition

SPECTATORS

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- Do not tolerate harmful or abusive behaviours
- Respect the performances and efforts of all people
- Reject the use of violence in any form, whether it is by spectators, coaches, officials or athletes