

## ***Code of Conduct***

### ***Key Elements to be followed***



#### ***Rockdale City Raiders Players and Officials will***

***\*\*\* ACCEPT, without questioning, decisions of all Referee be they official or Non-Official***

***\*\*\* Only the coach will instruct players ie Parents will not shout instructions to players. Only positive & quiet encouragement in a controlled manner is acceptable.***

***\*\*\* Parents/Players/Officials will not make any negative comments towards our own or opposition players/ parents***

***\*\*\* Before the game the Coach & RTO will meet the opposition Coach/RTO and introduce themselves***

***\*\*\* After every game all players & Team officials will personally:***

- ❖ Thank the Referee - including “non-official” Referees & offer to shake hands***
- ❖ Shake hands with opposition players***
- ❖ Propose “ 3 Cheers” for the opposition***

***Yellow Vests have been issued to every team.***

***A parent ( not the coach) is to wear the vest at every game and monitor /control the conduct of our parents / officials and players off the field.***



The Rockdale City Raiders are committed to providing a safe and enjoyable environment for the participation of children and young people in the beautiful game of football. This includes:

- Focusing on fun, not winning
- Promoting fair play and respectful behavior
- Working to ensure that we operate in a child-safe environment

**For Players – All Rockdale City Raiders players will:**

**Have fun!!**

**Be a good sport**

- Play with respect, integrity and fairness
- Be modest in victory and gracious in defeat
- If you win, don't rub it in
- If you lose, don't blame anyone
- Control your temper
- Don't use bad language

**Respect the facilities and equipment of your own and opposing Clubs**

**Respect your opponent**

- Treat your opponent the way you would like to be treated
- Thank the opposition at the end of the game

**Respect officials**

- Accept and respect the official's decision
- Thank the official at the end of the game

**Tell someone**

If something happens, to you or someone else, tell an adult you trust

**For Parents – We commit to the following:**

**Encourage fair play**

- Cheer and acknowledge good plays by both teams
- Thank the official, coach and other team after the game

**Keep your emotions in check**

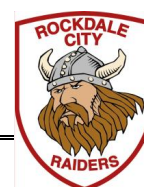
- Be enthusiastic, but don't scream instructions from the sideline
- Don't get into shouting matches with anyone
- Never use bad language or harass others

**Respect officials, coaches and opponents**

- Accept decisions by officials – they are human and can make mistakes
- Deal with issues in a controlled manner after the game
- Avoid detrimental statements in public in respect to the performance of anyone involved in the game

**Remember its just a game**

- Don't put undue pressure on children, berating them or putting down their performance



### For Coaches and Managers – We commit to the following:

#### Encourage fair play

- Respect opponents, spectators and officials
- Thank the officials and opposition after the game – teach your players to do the same

#### Create a positive environment

- Always greet and welcome parents and players
- Emphasise trying hard and having fun, not only winning
- Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake
- Communicate with parents – so they know the time and location of training and matches and when they are expected to collect their children

#### Respect officials, coaches and opponents

- Accept decisions by officials – they are human and can make mistakes
- Deal with issues in a controlled manner after the game
- Any issues should be raised with the President, not Football NSW

#### Be aware of child-safe practices

- Only engage in physical contact with children and young people that's appropriate
- Only interact with children and young people in public not in an isolated setting

#### Keep matches free of organised and disruptive religious or cultural behaviour

- Don't speak with a child from another team

#### Pick up your children on time

Inform the coach or manager if you are not staying for training or a match and/or if someone else is collecting your child

#### Recognise and respect the efforts of all volunteers

I have read and understood this Code of Conduct and will abide by it as a member of Rockdale City Raiders.

Child/ren name/s: ..... Date : .....

Parent/s/Coach/ Managers name: .....  
(If a parent of a player under 18)

I undertake to explain to my child/ren their obligations under this Code of Conduct.

I ☐ ALLOW ☐ DO NOT ALLOW

Myself and my child/ren to be identified by photo or name in social media.

Name: .....

Signature ..... Date: .....