

Code of Conduct



Rockdale City Raiders are committed to providing a safe and enjoyable environment for the participation of all 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

Key Game Day Procedures

- ✚ **ACCEPT, without questioning, Referee's (Official or non Official) Decisions**
- ✚ **Only the coach will instruct players ie Parents will not shout instructions**
- ✚ **Only positive & quiet encouragement in a controlled manner is acceptable.**
- ✚ **No-one will make negative comments towards opposition players/ parents**
- ✚ **Before the game Coach/RTO will meet opposition Coach/RTO & introduce themselves**
- ✚ **After every game ALL players & Team officials will personally:**
 - ❖ **Thank the Referee - including "non-official" Referees**
 - ❖ **Propose "3 Cheers" for the opposition**

Yellow Vests a parent (not the coach) is to wear the vest at every game and monitor the conduct of RAIDERS parents & officials

For Players – All Rockdale City Raiders players will focus on **HAVING FUN** :

Be a good sport

- Play with respect, integrity and fairness
- Be modest in victory & 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 after 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

Respect officials, coaches and opponents

- Accept decisions by officials – they are human and can make mistakes

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 young people in public not an isolated setting

Keep matches free of organised and disruptive religious or cultural behaviour

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
- Don't speak with a child from another team

- 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

Pick up your children on time

Recognise and respect the efforts of all volunteers

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

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: