

# Coach Code of Conduct

Association Representative, Club, In-schools Coaches, Assistant Coaches are expected to demonstrate the behaviours required to meet ABSL's Code of Conduct standards.

## Coaches:

As the overarching body ABSL is responsible for all policies and procedures and may direct coaches as required. ABSL supports coaches so that they may focus on the teams' preparation through training, conditioning and team management. A coach may be informed and must comply with any instructions that ABSL deems necessary. Coaches must meet the Code of Conduct standards.

## Assistant Coaches:

Assistant coaches are required to support the coach and team with all areas of the representative program and must meet the standards of the Code of Conduct. I will:

- remember that players participate for enjoyment and winning is only part of the fun
- never ridicule or yell at players for making a mistake or not winning
- be reasonable in my demands on players' time, energy and enthusiasm
- operate within the rules and spirit of the game and teach my players to do the same
- ensure that the time players spend with me is a positive experience, all players are deserving of equal attention and opportunities
- avoid overplaying the talented players and understand that the average players need and deserve equal time
- ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of all players
- display control, respect and professionalism to all involved with the sport including opponents, referees, coaches, officials, administrators, the media, parents and spectators, and encourage my players to do the same.
- show concern and caution toward sick and injured players and follow the advice of a physician when determining whether an injured player is ready to recommence training or competition
- obtain appropriate qualifications and keep up to date with the latest coaching practices and the principles of growth and development of young players
- respect the rights, dignity and worth of all people involved in the game, regardless of their gender, ability or cultural background
- promote adherence to anti-doping policies.

I will not:

- arrive at the venue intoxicated or drink alcohol at junior matches
- allow the unlawful supply of alcohol at training, games or club functions
- use bad language nor will I harass players, officials, spectators or other coaches

<i>Coaches Name</i>	
<i>Coaches Signature</i>	
<i>Date</i>	