**CODE OF CONDUCT – PARENTS & SPECTATORS**

This code of ethics and conduct should be used in conjunction with any relevant National Sports Governing Body paper.

Participation in sport should always happen in a safe, fun and friendly environment. Competition can and should be healthy but should be played in a fair manner. Parents/Guardians and Spectators play a significant role in setting a positive example to participants and encouraging and praising the efforts of all involved.

All parents and spectators should comply with good, ethical practices. As a minimum they should:

* ❑  Always remember that people should play sport for their own enjoyment.
* ❑  Encourage players to learn the rules and play within them.
* ❑  Show that victory isn’t everything and to good play should be recognised. Never punish or belittle someone for losing or making mistakes.
* ❑  Set a good example. Any bad language, harassment of anyone, or unsporting behaviour is not a good example and will not be tolerated.
* ❑  Applaud all good play by either team and be positive about what you see and what you say.
* ❑  Do not coach from the side lines.
* ❑  Promote a culture of respect towards officials and referees and discourage any unfair play or arguing with officials.
* ❑  Raise any concerns regarding conduct through the appropriate channels.

I have read, understood and agree to abide by the above code of ethics & conduct. I understand that breaching this code could lead to further action which could include suspension from any future events and, in serious instances, withdrawal of the team you are associated with from an event.

Signature:

Name:

**Witnessed by**

Name:

Position:

Date: