

1. Purpose

The purpose of the Malvern Netball Club Code of Conduct is to outline the expected standard behaviour of all club members to ensure a safe, fair and inclusive environment.

2. Scope

All teams that play in the Waverley District Netball Association (WDNA) Saturday competition.

Club members include coaches, trainers, players and the parents and guardians of players.

3. Key policy principles

The Malvern Netball Club is a community club that aims to foster a love of netball. The club expects all members of its community to always observe these codes of behaviour and sportsmanship when representing the club.

Players

- Play by the rules. Do not use rough or dangerous play.
- Abide by all umpire decisions. Clarification can be obtained by the captain during breaks or at the end of the game.
- Be a good sport. Applaud good play by both teams and always shake hands with your opponent at the end of the game.
- Respect your coach, team and opponents. Treat all players as you would like to be treated.
- Be punctual for all games and training. Be ready to play with the appropriate uniform.
- Advise your coach if you are unable to play or train as early as possible.
- Respect the club's facilities and equipment.
- Respect and acknowledge the contribution of those who enable you to play including coaches, team managers, scorers, administrations and umpires.

Parents and guardians

- Encourage players to participate. If they are not willing to, do not force them.
- Focus on the player's efforts and performance instead of winning or losing.
- Encourage your player to play by the rules and in line with the club's Code of Conduct.



- Role model good sportsmanship. Applaud good play by all players and teams.
- Never ridicule or yell at a player for making a mistake or losing a game.
- Respect the coach and their decisions on game day.
- Respect all umpire decisions. Do not approach them during the game.
- Respect and acknowledge the contribution of those who enable your player to play including coaches, team managers, scorers, administrations and umpires. Abusive, discourteous or inappropriate behaviour will not be tolerated.

Coaches and trainers

- Encourage players to participate for pleasure. Winning is not the priority.
- Never ridicule or yell at a player for making a mistake or losing a game.
- Teach players to follow rules and accept umpire decisions.
- Be generous with your praise. Always provide encouragement and feedback in a respectful way.
- Create and promote an environment of mutual respect within the team and with the opposition.
- Provide opportunities for players to improve, acquire new skills and develop confidence.
- Advise the club immediately of any issues or concerns.
- Hold a current Working with Children Check in Victoria (if over 18 years of age).