

# Flinders Hockey Club Code of Conduct 2024



## Player Code of Conduct

1. Play by the rules.
2. Never argue with an official.
3. Control your temper. Verbal abuse and bullying will not be tolerated.
4. Be a good sport and applaud all good plays whether they are your team, opponent or the other team.
5. Treat all players with respect.
6. Co-operate with your coach, team-mates and opponents. Without them there would be no game.
7. Play for the "fun of it" and not just to please parents or coaches.

## Parent and Supporter Code of Conduct

1. Focus on the child's efforts and performance rather than the overall outcome of the event.
2. Encourage children to always participate according to the rules of the game.
3. Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game.
4. Never argue with an official.
5. Remember that children learn best from example. Applaud good performance and efforts from each team.
6. Recognise the value and importance of volunteer coaches.
7. Show respect for your team's opponents. Without them there would be no game.
8. Assist the Coach and Team Manager wherever needed.
9. Control your temper. Verbal abuse and bullying will not be tolerated.

## Coaches Code of Conduct

1. Be reasonable in your demands on young players' time, energy and enthusiasm.
2. Teach your players the rules of the sport.
3. Comply with the Flinders Hockey Club – Equal Playing Time.
4. Remember that children participate for fun and enjoyment and that winning is only part of their motivation.
5. Develop team respect for the ability of the opponents as well as for the judgement of officials and opposing coaches.
6. Follow the advice of a physician when determining when an injured player is ready to commence training or competition.
7. Make a personal commitment to keep yourself informed of sound coaching principles and the principles of growth and development of children.
8. Avoid the use of derogatory language based on gender, ethnicity, religion or sexual orientation.

## Acting Officials Code of Conduct

1. Remember that you are an official; your behaviour must be impartial and fair to both sides.
2. Encourage players to follow the rule and the official's decisions.
3. Avoid the use of derogatory language based on gender, ethnicity, religion or sexual orientation.

## Photo Consent

I grant permission for Flinders Hockey Club to use personal images obtained by photography or video recording of my child while he/she is taking part in activities as part of Flinders Hockey Club. These images may be used on the Flinders Hockey Club website and social media pages, in newsletters and publications, advertising or other media activities. No personal information, such as names, will be used in any media article unless express consent is given. Not every item for which permission is granted will be used.

I do not expect compensation or other remuneration now or in the future, in return for use of these images. I understand this consent can be withdrawn at any time by email to the secretary at [flindershockey@outlook.com](mailto:flindershockey@outlook.com) or by mail to the Secretary, Flinders Hockey Club, c/o Matthew Flinders Anglican College, Stringybark Road, Buderim, QLD 4556.

## Player Age and Team Allocation Policy

**Purpose:** This policy sets guidelines under which Flinders Hockey Club (the Club) will allow a player to compete or train in activities conducted for players of an age higher or lower than the player's playing age, along with our policy on Team Allocation.

**Player Age Group:** Players should be encouraged to play in their correct age group as determined by their date of birth. As a member of Sunshine Coast Hockey Association, we acknowledge the Hockey QLD curriculum and the development process for progression each year where a player remains within their correct age level.