

# South Auckland Rangers Association Football & Sports Club

## Code of Conduct

### Coach

As a South Auckland Rangers Football Club member and/or participant, you should meet the following requirements with regard to your conduct during any South Auckland AFC sanctioned activity:

- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of others.
- Be fair, considerate and honest in all dealings with others.
- Be professional in, and accept responsibility for your actions.
- Make a commitment to providing quality service and performance.
- Be aware of, and maintain, an uncompromising adherence to standards, rules, regulations and policies.
- Operate within the Constitution, Regulations, Policies and Procedures of NZF and FIFA.
- Understand the possible consequences of breaching the NZF Code of Conduct.
- Immediately report any breaches of NZF members to the appropriate authority.
- Comply with any and all applicable national or local legislation.
- Refrain from any form of abuse towards others.
- Refrain from using any obscene language.
- Refrain from any form of discrimination and victimisation towards others.
- Reject corruption, drugs, racism, violence and other dangers to our sport.
- Promote the interest of football.
- Show concern and caution towards others who may be sick or injured.
- Be a positive role model.
- Never act in any way that may bring disrepute to NZF members, its stakeholders and/or its sponsors, potential sponsors and/or partners.
- Do not participate (or benefit from assisting others involved) in sports betting or gambling activity associated with football matches and/or football results in which you are participating or have been directly involved in.

#### **A Coach will:**

#### **Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every individual player as a human being and:**

- Treat everyone equally regardless of gender, disability, ethnicity or religion.



- Respect the talent, developmental stage and goals of each player in order to help each player reach their full potential.
- Maintain high standards of integrity.
- Operate within the rules of football and in the spirit of fair play, while encouraging players to do the same.
- Advocate a sporting environment free of drugs and other performance enhancing substances within the guidelines of the New Zealand Sports Drug Agency.
- Not disclose any confidential information relating to players without written prior consent.

**Be a positive role model for the sport and the players and act in a way that projects a positive image of coaching:**

- Provide all players with the equal attention and opportunities they deserve.
- Ensure the time spent with their player(s) is a positive experience.
- Be fair, considerate and honest with players.
- Encourage and promote a healthy lifestyle – refrain from smoking, drinking alcohol and engaging in poor lifestyle choices around players.

**Show professional responsibility:**

- Display high standards in language, manner, punctuality, presentation and preparation.
- Display control, courtesy, respect, honesty, dignity and professionalism to all involved within the sphere of sport – this includes opponents, coaches, officials, administrators, the media, parents and spectators.
- Encourage players to demonstrate the same qualities.
- Be professional and accept responsibility for their actions.
- Accurately represent personal coaching qualifications, experience, competence and affiliations.
- Refrain from criticism of other coaches.

**Make a commitment to providing a quality service to their players:**

- Seek continual improvement through ongoing coach education and other personal and professional development opportunities.
- Provide players with planned and structured training programmes appropriate to their needs and goals.
- Seek advice and assistance from professionals when additional expertise is required.
- Maintain appropriate records.



**Provide a safe environment for training and competition:**

- Adopt appropriate risk management strategies to ensure that the training and/or competition environment is safe.
- Ensure equipment and facilities meet safety standards.
- Ensure equipment, rules, training and the environment is appropriate for the age, physical and emotional maturity, experience and ability of the players.
- Show concern and caution toward sick and injured players.
- Allow further participation in training and competition only when appropriate.

**Protect players from any form of personal abuse:**

- Refrain from any form of sexual and racial harassment, racial vilification and harassment on the grounds of disability.
- Ensure that any physical contact with players is appropriate to the situation and necessary for the player's skill development.
- Be alert to any forms of abuse directed towards players from other sources while in their care.

