



Diamonds Netball Club

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All members, whether player, parent, coach, umpire, spectator or committee member of the Diamonds Netball Club are reminded of their expectation and commitment to uphold the Club's Code of Conduct, as well as the Success Netball Association Code of Conduct. <https://www.successnetballassociation.com/policy>

Completion of your Registration and Payment of Fees is taken as acceptance of the information outlined in this document.

ALL PLAYERS, COACHES, PARENTS and OFFICIALS will be asked to sign an acknowledgement of reading and / or understanding this document and the expected behaviours for our sport.

All members are bound by the Netball Australia Terms and Conditions [Netball Australia National Codes of Behavior](#) and Success Netball Association Terms and Conditions [successnetballassociation.com/policy](https://www.successnetballassociation.com/policy)

The Club reserves the right to withdraw your membership if you fail to comply with our Diamonds Netball Club Player and Team Selection Document – specifically the Codes of Conduct

Umpire Code of Conduct

- Umpiring is an important part of our game and is a great way to learn more about the game you play, whilst keeping fit.
- Diamonds Netball Club expects all umpires to abide by the following:
 - Arrive at the rostered duty at least 10 minutes prior to game time, with a whistle and a way to monitor centre passes (eg hair tie, ring).
 - Umpires must wear appropriate clothing eg white umpire shirt supplied by the Club and white skirt or shorts.
 - Complete the online umpire's exam free prior to umpiring your first game.

Player Code of Conduct

- Play by the rules.
- Never argue with an official. If you disagree, have your captain, coach or manager approach the official during a break or after the game.
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials or other players, deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent is not acceptable or permitted in any sport.
- Work equally hard for yourself and for your team. Your team's performance will benefit and so will you.
- Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays whether they be by your team, opponent or the other team.
- Treat all players as you would like to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully or take unfair advantage of another player.
- Co-operate with your coach, team-mates and opponents. Without them there would be no competition.
- Place in proper perspective the isolated incidents of unsporting behaviour rather than make such incidents the "highlight" of the event.

Parent and Spectator Code of Conduct (for players under 18)

- If children are interested, encourage them to participate. However if a child is not willing, do not force her/him.
- Focus upon the child's efforts and performance rather than the overall outcome of the event. This assists the child in setting realistic goals related to his or her ability by reducing the emphasis on winning.
- Teach children that an honest effort is as important as victory, so that the result of each game is accepted without undue disappointment.
- Encourage children to always participate according to the rules.
- Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game.
- Remember that children are involved in organised sports for their enjoyment not yours.
- Remember that children learn best from example. Applaud good plays by all teams.
- If you disagree with an official, raise the issue through the appropriate channels rather than question the official's judgement and honesty in public. Remember, most officials give their time and effort for your child's benefit.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.
- Recognise the value and importance of volunteer coaches. They give up their time and resources to provide recreational activities for the children and deserve your support.

Coach and Officials Code of Conduct

- Operate within the rules and spirit of your sport, promoting fair play over winning at any cost.
- Encourage and support opportunities for people to learn appropriate behaviors and skills.
- Support opportunities for participation in all aspects of the sport.
- Treat each person as an individual.
- Display control and courtesy to all involved with the sport.
- Respect the rights and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
- Respect the decisions of officials, coaches and administrators in the conduct of the sport.
- Wherever practical, avoid unaccompanied and unobserved one-on-one activity (when in a supervisory capacity or where a power imbalance will exist) with people under the age of 18 years.
- Adopt appropriate and responsible behavior in all interactions.
- Adopt responsible behavior in relation to alcohol and other drugs.
- Act with integrity and objectivity, and accept responsibility for your decisions and actions.
- Ensure your decisions and actions contribute to a safe environment.
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- Do not tolerate harmful or abusive behavior.
- Place the safety and welfare of the athletes above all else.
- Help each person (athlete, official etc) reach their potential - respect the talent, developmental stage and goals of each person and compliment and encourage with positive and supportive feedback.
- Any physical contact with a person should be appropriate to the situation and when necessary for the person's skill development.
- Be honest and do not allow your qualifications to be misrepresented