

## SPECTATOR CODE OF BEHAVIOUR POLICY

Adopted by NSW Netball Association Ltd Board Meeting on 13th December 2016

## PURPOSE OF THIS POLICY

- Netball Australia, Netball NSW and Affiliates seek to provide a safe, fair and inclusive environment for everyone involved in netball
- To achieve this, Netball Australia, Netball NSW and Affiliates require certain standards of behaviour of players/athletes, coaches, officials, administrators, parents/guardians (of child participants) and spectators
  - The Codes of Behaviour are underpinned by the following core values:
    - $\circ$  ~ To act within the rules and spirit of netball
    - To display respect and courtesy towards everyone involved in netball and prevent discrimination, bullying and sexual harassment
    - To prioritise the safety and well-being of children and young people involved in netball
    - To encourage and support opportunities for participation in all aspects of netball.

## **BREACH OF THIS POLICY**

• Any alleged breach of the Codes of Behaviour should be managed using the process outlined in the relevant Netball NSW or Affiliates Constitution or policies.

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- In addition to Netball NSW's General Code of Behaviour, you are to meet the following requirements with regard to your conduct during any activity held by or under the auspices of Netball NSW or an Affiliate
- In your role as a spectator you are to:
  - 1. Remember that most players (in particular children) participate in netball activities for fun. They are not participating for entertainment of spectators only
  - 2. Applaud good performance and efforts by all players. When watching a game congratulate both teams on their performance regardless of the game's outcome
  - 3. Respect the decision of the umpires. Encourage players to play according to the rules and official decisions, and develop your own knowledge of the rules
  - 4. Never ridicule or abuse a player for making a mistake during a match and/or competition
  - 5. Refrain from conduct which could be regarded as sexual harassment, discrimination, bullying and/or victimisation
  - 6. Do not use foul, inappropriate and/or distasteful language, sledge or harass administrators, coaches, players, umpires or other spectators
  - 7. Condemn the use of violence in any form, be it by administrators, coaches, players, umpires, or other spectators
  - 8. Support the use of age appropriate development activities and modified rules