



COASTAL DISTRICT SCHOOL SPORT

CODES OF CONDUCT



Introduction

The following codes of conduct highlight levels of expected behaviour of students, parents and spectators when participating in or attending Queensland School Sport sanctioned events.

Consequences for not honouring these codes of conduct are listed in for each section. Please ensure that you have read and understand these codes prior to attending representative school sport events. Please be aware that ignorance of the contents of these codes will not be accepted as an excuse for any breach.

Code of conduct (students)

- Take responsibility for your own behaviour and performance.
- Compete by the competition conditions and rules.
- Never argue with the judges', referees' or umpires' decisions.
- Control your temper (no criticism by word or gesture to anyone).
- Work equally hard for yourself and your team
(your team's performance will benefit and so will your own).
- Be a good sport. Encourage and support your team members.
- Show respect for yourself, your team mates, officials, your opponents and their skills.
- Behave in a manner that respects the rights of others regardless of methods of communication used.
For example social media, email and texts.
- Stay in the designated team area and support other team members during times when no competing.
- Follow all directions of team management and event officials.

Consequences for breaches of code of conduct (students)

Team managers may deal immediately with any breaches of this code by imposing appropriate consequences. Consequences may include not playing remaining fixtures, notification of parents, and being sent home at your parents' cost.

Students may be notified verbally or in writing of a temporary ban from participating or attending representative school sport events until formal processes are conducted by the regional or district administration committee or board to determine complaints under this code. Students will be afforded natural justice in respect of breaches of this code and for any discipline under the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006. We may also provide a report to your school about your conduct and, as a school representative, you may be subject to discipline in accordance with the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006.

Code of conduct (parents)

- Co-operate with event officials and team managers to achieve the best outcomes for your child.
- Support team and event officials in maintaining a safe and respectful learning environment for all students.
- Maintain positive relationships with team officials regarding your child's learning, wellbeing and behaviour.
- Encourage participation by your children.
- Provide a model of positive sporting behaviours for your child to copy.
- Be courteous and constructive in your communication with players, team officials, game officials and sport administrators.
- Encourage honest effort, skilled performance and team loyalty.
- Make any new parents feel welcome on all occasions.
- Do not interfere with the conduct of any events.
- Behave in a manner that respects the rights of others, regardless of methods of communication used. For example using social media, emails and texts.
- Support Queensland School Sport's policy of a smoke and alcohol free environment.

Code of conduct (spectators)

- Demonstrate appropriate social behaviour.
- Remember children play for enjoyment. Do not let your behaviour detract from their enjoyment.
- Let game officials conduct events without interference.
- Support skilled performances and team play with generous applause.
- Demonstrate respect for opposing players and their supporters.
- Behave in a manner that respects the rights of others regardless of methods of communication used. For example social media, emails, and texts.
- Support Queensland School Sport's policy of a smoke and alcohol free environment.

Consequences for breaches of codes of conduct (parents and spectators)

Team managers and event organisers may deal immediately with any breaches of these codes by warning offenders about their conduct, asking offenders to leave venues and calling police to intervene where necessary. Each regional school sport board or district school sport committee is responsible for imposing any longer term consequences such as written warnings, or barring attendance at future school sport events for a period of time or indefinitely.

Parents and spectators may be notified verbally or in writing of a temporary ban from attending representative school sport events until formal processes are conducted by the regional school sport board or district school sport committee to determine complaints made under these codes. Parents and spectators will be afforded natural justice in respect of breaches of this code.

Parents and spectators should note that it is an offence to insult (meaning "to treat insolently or with contemptuous rudeness, to abuse") an officer of a state education institution in the presence or hearing of students (section 333(2)(b) Wilful Disturbance, of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006. Breaches of this section of the act may result in a complaint being made to police.