



MMLSC Code of Conduct 2023/24

Member's Code of Conduct

- Treat others as you would want them to treat you.
- Respect the rights, dignity, and worth of others.
- Be fair, considerate, and honest in all dealings with others.
- Be professional and accept responsibility for your actions.
- Be aware of and adhere uncompromisingly to Life Saving Victoria's standards, rules, regulations, and policies.

Parents, Caregivers and Spectators' Code of Conduct

- Remember that children participate in sports for their enjoyment and development.
- Encourage children to participate; do not force them.
- Focus on the child's efforts.
- Encourage children to play according to the rules and settle disagreements without resorting to hostility or violence.
- Never ridicule or yell at a child.
- Appreciate good performances by all participants.
- Respect officials' decisions.
- Show appreciation for coaches, age managers, officials, and administrators.

Participant's (Child) Code of Conduct

Please take the time to discuss this code of conduct with your child:

- Play by the rules.
- Do not argue with an official.
- Control your temper.
- Work hard for yourself and your team.
- Treat all participants as you would like to be treated.
- Cooperate with your coach, Age Group Manager, teammates, and opponents.
- Participate for your enjoyment.
- Respect the rights and dignity of all other participants.
- Respect the equipment you use.
- Respect the clubhouse.
- Be a good sport and applaud all good performances.

Coaches/Officials' Code of Conduct

- Remember that young people participate for pleasure, and winning is only part of the fun.
- Never ridicule or yell at a young competitor for making a mistake or not coming first.
- Be reasonable in your demands on a competitor's time, energy, and enthusiasm.
- Operate within the rules and spirit of life-saving and teach your competitors to do the same.
- Ensure that the time competitors spend with you is a positive experience. All young people are deserving of equal attention and opportunities.
- Afford all competitors equal time.

- Ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate for the age and ability of all competitors.
- Display control, respect, and professionalism to all involved with life-saving. This includes opponents, coaches, officials, administrators, the media, parents, and spectators. Encourage competitors to do the same. Obtain appropriate qualifications and keep up to date with the latest coaching practices and the principles of growth and development of young people.
- Any physical contact with a young person should be appropriate to the situation and necessary for the competitor's skill development.
- Respect the rights, dignity, and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background, or religion.
- Treat each competitor as an individual. Respect the talent, development stage, and goals of each competitor and help each competitor reach their full potential.
- Don't interfere with the progress and/or conduct of competition unless called to do so by another official.
- Abide by the officials' decisions.