

Northern Region School Sport

Code of Conduct – Team Official



As a Team Official:

- Abide by the Department's Code of Conduct at all times.
- Adhere to appropriate mandatory reporting requirements.
- Ensure that your behaviour at all times, whether at or away from the playing venue, does not bring the name of 'school sport' into disrepute.
- Show respect and behave in a manner that respects the rights of all others regardless of the medium of communication used, e.g. verbal, physical, digital media such as Twitter, Facebook, email and texts.
- Provide a safe and supportive sporting and learning environment.
- Initiate and maintain constructive communication and relationships with students and parents/carers.
- Promote the skills of responsible self-management.
- Communicate high expectations for individual achievement and behaviour.
- Ensure consistency and fairness in implementing the school sport behaviour codes.
- Avoid over-playing the talented players. All players need and deserve equitable time.
- Develop team respect for the ability of opponents as well as for the judgment of officials and opposing coaches.
- Compliment participants on their efforts.
- Condemn unsporting behaviours.
- Ensure that your behaviour is consistent with the principles of good sporting behaviour.
- Refrain from criticism of, or reaction to, the umpires/referee's judgment and decision.
- Maintain a standard of dress appropriate to the presentation of the team.
- Refrain from over-zealous coaching from the side-line.
- Smoking, drinking of alcoholic beverages or the use of any illegal substances is strictly forbidden while in the direct supervision of students.

Breach of the Code by Team Officials

Queensland School Sport (QSS) and event organisers may deal immediately with any breaches of this code by warning offenders about their conduct, asking offenders to leave venues, and calling police to intervene where necessary. The Department, through Queensland School Sport (QSS), is responsible for imposing any longer term consequences such as written warnings, or barring attendance at future events for a period or indefinitely. This may include QSS providing a report to your school principal or immediate supervisor, and you may be subject to discipline in accordance with the *Education (General Provisions) Act 2006* (EGPA). Staff will be afforded natural justice in respect of breaches of this code and for any discipline under the EGPA.

