



PARENT / CAREGIVER CODE OF CONDUCT

Goodna Netball Association Parents are encouraged to:

- Acquaint themselves with the basic rules of netball.
- Familiarise themselves with the teaching and coaching methods which will differ according to age and ability.
- Become involved with the Goodna Netball Association, the committee encourages all parents to watch their children, take part in any club functions and to volunteer their assistance and expertise – the ongoing success of Goodna Netball Association is reliant on such help.
- Commit to paying your fees on time and understand where your money goes.
- Familiarise themselves with your children's Coach and communicate with them where required and encourage your children to coaches in instilling these values.

Goodna Netball Association Parents should:

- Remember that your children play for their own enjoyment not that of their parents – encourage them to play netball but do not force them.
- Be realistic about your children's abilities; do not push them towards a level they are not capable of achieving and remember there is always a mixed level of skill and ability in junior sport – netball is no different.
- Respect the rights of the coach to make decisions regarding training methods; team selections and substitutions and game tactics unless they contradict the spirit of the game.
- Refrain from instructing from the sidelines and making negative comments about coaching decisions within earshot of any player or the coach. If you believe there is a legitimate issue; please follow the correct protocol for effective resolution.
- Know that persistent, negative messages will adversely affect the players, coaches and umpires performance and attitude.
- Remember that young people learn much by example.
- Always show appreciation of good individual and team performance from all players – irrespective of the team for whom they play.
- Model sportsmanship for your children by treating all coaches, officials, and players of both teams with courtesy and respect – knowing that without them their daughter/s could not participate.
- Encourage and focus on hard work and honest effort and praise your children for competing fairly and trying hard irrespective of the result. Always provide positive feedback; interestingly constructive feedback is often better received when it comes from the coach and not the parent (it can make for a more harmonious trip home).
- Remain in control of your emotions. • Teach your children to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
- Encourage all netballers in a positive way. If you do want to shout, make sure its FOR your player, not AT your player.