



2025 Player Code of Conduct

All Players within the Victoria FIDA Football League are to uphold the below behaviour expectations. All players are required to watch the Player Code of Conduct Video before each match and display the expected behaviour. The video can be found at [<https://fida.org.au/player-code-of-conduct>]

1. Abide by the rules of the game and rules set down by your Coach, Club and League as outlined in FIDA by-laws.
2. Respect the rights and worth of every person, regardless of their age, race, gender, ability, cultural background, sexuality or religion.
3. Never argue with an Official or Umpire. If you disagree, have your captain, Coach or Team Manager approach the Official during a break or after the competition.
4. Always show respect for Umpires and respect decisions made even if you do not agree with them.
5. Control your temper. Verbal or physical abuse of Officials, Umpires, spectators, or other players, deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent is not acceptable or permitted.
6. Work equally hard for yourself and your team. Your team's performance will benefit, so will you.
7. Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays whether they be by your team, opponent, or the other Team. Be proud to walk off the ground after each game knowing that you have given your best and never involve yourself in an argument with opposing Players, Umpires, or Officials.
8. Conduct yourself at a high level of personal behaviour on and off the field in such a manner so as not to bring your Club, the League, or the game of Australian Football into disrepute by displaying good sportsmanship always.
9. Treat all players, Coaches, Umpires and volunteers with respect as you would like to be treated. Do not interfere by bullying, intimidating or taking unfair advantages of other players. This includes on and off the field, online via social media as per the FIDA Social Media Policy (Schedule 12 – Social Media Policy).
10. Co-operate with your Coach and teammates and respect the ability of your opponent. Without them there would be no game.
11. Play for the 'fun of it' and within the SPIRIT of FIDA. Your involvement to play is for fun and enjoyment, winning is only part of it.
12. Be responsible for your actions, as any player found to be in breach of the above code of conduct may be called to front the Tribunal, for potential disciplinary action.