



COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT



Burleigh Heads Junior Rugby League Club has strong expectations of the coaching staff. Coaches whether they want to or not will become role models to their players. Every action you display to your players will form an impression and influence a player's belief of what you expect of them and what is acceptable.

1. You have responsibility for the behaviour of your team and its supporters. EXERCISE IT.
2. Be reasonable in your demands on the young player's time, energy, and enthusiasm. Remember that they have other interests and demands on their time.
3. Teach your players that laws of the game are mutual agreements, which no one should evade or break.
4. Ensure that all players get a game. The 'just average' players need and deserve equal time.
5. All Coaches must abide by club direction relating to participation and game time as well as using players from younger age groups and lower divisions.
6. Remember that young people play for fun and enjoyment and that winning is only part of it. Never ridicule or yell at the players for making mistakes or losing a game.
7. The scheduling and length of practice times and games should take into consideration the maturity level of the players.
8. Develop team respect for the ability of opponents, judgement of referees and opposing coaches. as well as the
9. Follow the advice of a doctor in determining when an injured player is ready to play again.
10. Concussion management - Players should NOT return to the field if they have been ruled out by the Medic as having a suspected concussion. Medical Cert clearance will have to be presented to the club, Manager/Coach before the child can return to play.
11. Remember that young people need a coach they can respect. Be generous with your praise when it is deserved and set a good example.
12. Make a personal commitment to keep yourself informed on sound coaching principles and the principles of growth and development of young people.
13. Encourage young people to develop basic skills and avoid over specialisation in positional play during their formative years.
14. Create opportunities to teach sportsmanship, just as you would in teaching the basic skills.
15. Ensure that efforts for both skill improvement and good sportsmanship are rewarded by praise.
16. Ensure that skill learning, and free play activities have priority over highly structured

competitions for very young people.

17. INSIST ON FAIR PLAY, do not tolerate foul play, fighting, or foul language. Be prepared to take off an offending player.

18. Discourage excessive talk on the pitch.

19. INSIST on a disciplined approach by players and mean what you say.

20. Set a good example by personal good behaviour.

21. Do not approach a referee/touch judge at any stage during or immediately after a game.

22. As a coach you need to be punctual to all training sessions and games. If at any time you can not attend a game or a session you need to advise our Executive Committee so that a suitable person can stand in your place. Under no circumstances can a non registered person be on the sideline to fill in for the coach or coaching staff.

Remember, RLGC and Burleigh Junior Rugby League Inc Administration Committee has the power to cite Players, Coaches, and/or Spectators for behaviour that may bring the game of Rugby into disrepute.