



# AFTER SCHOOL SPORT COACHES AND TEAM MANAGERS

Thank you for agreeing to coach and/or manage a Rosary School After School Sports Team.

## CHILDREN AT ROSARY SCHOOL

When children are engaged in After School Sport, they have a right to:

- be treated with dignity
- have fun
- play as children, not as adults
- share in leadership and decision making
- participate in safe and healthy environments
- have equal opportunity to strive for excellence and to develop their talents to the full.

## RESPONSIBILITIES OF TEAM MANAGERS/COACHES

- Provide all children with equal opportunity to participate
- Notify parents of the schedule of trainings, match times and venues.
- Notify parents of changes to normal procedures. Ensure processes are in place to notify parents/ caregivers that training has been altered or cancelled, including last minute decisions.
- Take into account prevailing weather conditions when planning training sessions and matches.
- Schedule training sessions of no more than one (1) hour duration.
- Ensure that first aid, access to a phone and toilet facilities are available to teams using the school grounds after hours.
- Report all negative behaviour of children and parents to the Principal.

## SAFETY PROCEDURES

It is the parents' responsibility to supervise children at training and games. Any car pooling or care arrangements are between parents and not the responsibility of the school, coach or team manager.

All coaches, team managers and officials must have a current working with children check and Catholic Clearance.

Safety procedures will include:

- Teaching appropriate safety skills and procedures for the sports played.
- Regulating the duration and intensity of training to suit the needs of the group and prevailing weather conditions.
- Ensuring that adequate protective equipment is available in sufficient quantity and is used both at training and matches.
- Teaching skills appropriate to the age and maturity of students involved.
- Inspecting playing surfaces and equipment, and cancelling matches or training where these are unsuitable or unsafe for play.
- Eliminating specialisation in a position or sports activity where injury may result from overuse of specific body areas.

On the following page is the **Code of Conduct** for all coaches, team managers, parents, spectators and children.



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## AFTER SCHOOL SPORT CODE OF CONDUCT

After School Sport at Rosary School is an important part of a full and balanced education for our students. Whilst it is important children develop their skill level throughout the year, the primary objective of our after school sport program is that the children experience fun and enjoyment whilst playing with their school peers.

### FOR PLAYERS:

- Be a good sport
- Work hard for your team as well as yourself
- Play by the rules
- Control your behaviour on and off the field/court
- Respect umpire decisions
- Play for enjoyment
- Treat all team-mates and opponents respectfully
- Co-operate with team and game officials
- Learn to value honest effort, skilled performance and improvement

### FOR COACHES:

- Set a good example for players
- Focus on fun and enjoyment rather than winning
- Teach a wide range of team and game skills
- Teach players to be friendly towards officials and opponents
- Give all interested students equal opportunity to participate in training and in games
- Keep your knowledge of coaching and the game up to date
- Remove any player from the field whose behaviour is not acceptable

### FOR PARENTS:

- Set a good example for your child
- Encourage participation for fun and enjoyment
- Encourage honest effort, skilled performance and team loyalty
- Be courteous in your communication with players, team officials and umpires
- Do not interfere with the conduct of any events
- Applaud all players
- Make new parents feel welcome

### FOR SPECTATORS:

- Demonstrate appropriate social behaviour
- Let game officials conduct events without interference
- Support skilled performances and team play with generous applause
- Demonstrate respect for opposing players and supporters