



# AVELEY AVENGERS JFC

## PLAYERS, PARENTS & SUPPORTERS

### CODE OF BEHAVIOUR AND CONTRACT WITH THE GAME

All junior sporting bodies have formulated codes of behaviour for all people involved. It is important that players in the AFL Sport Education program have a common code of behaviour to adhere to in all games. Aveley Junior Football Club have adopted the following Code of Behaviour.

#### **Players:** Be a 'good sport' player

- Play by the rules – the rules of your club and the laws of the game;
- Never argue with an umpire or other official – without these people you can't play football;
- Control your temper – you will gain real respect;
- Be a team player – team win games not individuals;
- Treat all players as you would like to be treated – fairly;
- Cooperate with your coach, the umpires and team-mates;
- Play for your own enjoyment and to improve your skills;
- Don't use ugly remarks based on race, religion, gender or ability – you'll let down your coach, team-mates and family if you do – and many such comments are actually now illegal.

#### **Parents and Supporters:** Be a 'good sport' parent or supporter

- Remember that you are there for the participants to enjoy the game;
- Encourage participation, but don't force it;
- Teach that enjoyment is more important than winning;
- Encourage an understanding of the rules by showing a genuine interest;
- Never ridicule mistakes or losses – supporters are there to support not downgrade;
- Lead by example and respect all players, coaches, umpires and spectators – physical or verbal abuse will not be tolerated;
- Actively and freely give up valuable time to participate in volunteering activities as requested by AJFC from time to time;
- Recognise all volunteers who are giving up their valuable time;
- Never publicly criticise umpires – raise personal concerns with club officials in private;
- AJFC from time to time are fortunate to have the services of an official umpire for our junior/youth games. With that in mind, we remind all players, parents supporters and officials of the club expectations with regards to Supporting Umpires of Junior Football;
- Don't use ugly remarks based on race, religion, gender or ability – you'll let down your family and yourself if you do – and many such comments are actually now illegal.

### **E-POINT SYSTEM**

The purpose of the E-Point system is to weight game day behaviour with the same importance as winning a match and reward teams for displaying positive game day behaviour.

The system deters players, coaches and parents from engaging in negative game day behaviour prior to it taking place.

- A maximum of Four (4) E-Points are awarded per team per game played. The team's behaviour (including that of players, team officials, support staff and spectators) will determine if these E-Points will remain.
- One (1) E-Point will be removed for every YELLOW card received by each participating team on game day.
- Two (2) E-Points will be removed for every RED card received by each participating team on game day.
- If any Player, Team Official, Support Staff or Spectator is suspended for 1 match or more, then Two (2) E-Points automatically will be removed from the offending team.
- For any policy, rule, regulation or code of conduct breach relating to inappropriate game day behaviour the offending team will be removed, up to Four (4) E-Points per game as determined by the WAFC.
- \*\*\*\*This model replaces Blue Card system. There is no second chances. If spectators/coaches' boxes are reported for poor game behaviour, expect E-Points removed. Junior Teams (Year 3-6) can expect bonds and fines.

**I/we agree to abide by Code of Behaviour above. Please see signatures overleaf.**

*\*\*Please Note: The Parent/Guardian is signing this Code of Conduct on behalf of the child's entire family\*\**

I/we fully support the codes of behaviour as introduced by the Aveley Junior Football Club. The codes are applicable to all club activities including fixtured games, team training, social events and other official club or team events. No registered player may participate in a fixtured game until they have read and understood the Player Code of Behaviour with their parent or guardian. I/we fully understand that unsatisfactory behaviour may be subject to the E-Point reporting system.

**“PENALTY – A Player, Parent or Club Member may be suspended from the Club if found in breach of this Code of Conduct. Handed down by the Executive Committee of the Club.”**

**PLEASE HAVE ALL PLAYERS/PARENTS SIGN “CODE OF BEHAVIOUR AND CONTRACT WITH THE GAME” OVERLEAF PRIOR TO YOUR FIRST FIXTURED GAME OF THE SEASON**