

## Maree Tennis Club Code of Conduct for Parents and Carers

Parents and Carers play a key role in the promotion of an ethical approach to sport and young people's enjoyment of the game. Parents/guardians therefore need to be aware and involved in promoting a safe environment for children to enjoy their participation in sport.

Parents and Carers should support the implementation of best practice policies by following the guidance below:

- Abide by the Club's procedures and policies.
- Understand and ensure your child/children abides by the Code of Conduct for Young People.
- Have an awareness of and respect for Leaders and other adults and their roles within the Club.
- If you wish to raise an issue with a Leader, this should be addressed with the Leader in an appropriate manner and not in front of children and young people. In the first instance, address issues relating to child protection with one of our Children's Officers.
- Respect and abide by the decisions made by the Committee and other Leaders. These should be made in the best interests of the children in the Club.
- Understand the complaints process and follow the proper procedure if you feel unjustly treated, with the knowledge that any complaint will be dealt with effectively and confidentially.
- Contribute your time and effort in the daily running of the Club. No club can operate successfully and safely without the help of volunteers.
- It is your responsibility for delivering and collecting your child/children. Parents/carers should ensure they do not leave their child/children waiting unsupervised at any time.
- Ensure the environment is safe and enjoyable for your child/children.
- Promote fair play and the positive aspects of our sport.
- Be a role model for your children and young people by maintaining the highest standards of personal conduct and respectful behaviour.
- Promote that participation for children in tennis should be fun, safe and that winning is not the main objective.
- Ensure appropriate leaders are informed regarding any absenteeism, medical conditions or other relevant matters concerning your child.
- You should have the opportunity to put forward suggestions and comments.
- Provide the Club with appropriate information in relation to your child and with emergency contact information.