

NCCUA UMPIRES' CODE OF CONDUCT 2013

This Code of Conduct –

- applies to all members of the Newcastle Central Coast Umpires Association and those umpires who umpire on a casual basis with the Association.
- should be read in conjunction with the Black Diamond AFL (BDAFL) and AFL Greater Sydney Juniors (AFLGSJ) Codes of Conduct.
- is designed to assist members of the Association achieve a better standing in the Newcastle and Central Coast AFL community.

Umpires will conduct themselves in a manner, which will enhance the image of umpiring in the Central Coast and Hunter regions.

Umpires understand that the game, which they are controlling, is the most important game in Australia at that time.

An NCCUA member's personal integrity will be beyond question.

All games will be umpired without bias whatever the conditions, state of the game or any other circumstance.

Umpires are expected to have an appropriate level of fitness to participate in games. Umpires are also expected to attend training and forums to the required level to ensure they maintain both accreditation and competency.

A thorough knowledge of the current laws, interpretations and trends in Australian Football is obtained through regular attendance at training, obtaining and upgrading knowledge through the AFL National Accreditation process.

NCCUA members will contribute to the continuing success of the BDAFL, AFLGSJ – Central Coast and AFLGSJ – Newcastle competitions through

- a strong commitment to these competitions, both on and off the field.
- providing a knowledgeable, positive and professional approach towards all stakeholders involved in our great game.
- a personal presentation that will enhance the image of the umpire and umpiring in these competitions.
- a positive response to game feedback.

On match day, umpires are given the important responsibility of managing the game both on and off the field on behalf of the Black Diamond AFL Board, AFL Greater Sydney Juniors – Central Coast and AFL Greater Sydney Juniors – Newcastle Regional Committees. This places all umpires in a position of focus and influence.

Clubs, Supporters and Football administrators expect NCCUA members will

- have the safety and welfare of all stakeholders as a No. 1 Priority.
- accept responsibility for all their actions.
- be impartial in their officiating.
- avoid any situation, which may lead to a conflict of interest or bring the umpire, umpiring or the Association into disrepute.
- be courteous, respectful and open to discussion and interaction at appropriate times.
- carry out administration and on field policies developed by the Black Diamond AFL Board, the AFL Greater Sydney Juniors – Central Coast and the AFL Greater Sydney Juniors – Newcastle Regional Committees.

This Code of Conduct is a collective reflection on reasonable umpiring expectations.

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I _____
(insert name)

agree to adhere to the above NCCUA Code of Conduct

Signed: _____

Dated: _____