



Richmond Lacrosse Code of Conduct for Coaches, Team Managers & Club Officials

Richmond Lacrosse is committed to creating a culture for our sport that provides opportunities for all to participate. We are asking you to play your part to adhere to and promote Richmond Lacrosse's code of conduct.

Coaches, team managers and club officials should be aware of their influence on players of all ages and conduct themselves in a positive manner at all times to promote the positive values of our game of lacrosse.

On and off the field, I will:

- Show respect to others involved in the game including match officials, opposition players, coaches, managers, officials and spectators
- Adhere to the rules and spirit of our game
- Promote fair play and high standards of behaviour
- Always respect the match officials' decisions
- Never engage in public criticism of the match officials
- Never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour.
- Be aware of my online presence and behaviour and ensure any messages or posts adhere to the positive spirit of our game

When working with players, I will:

- Ensure all activities I organise are appropriate for the players' ability level, age and maturity
- Explain exactly what I expect of players and what they can expect from me
- Develop mutual trust and respect with every player to build their self-esteem
- Place the well-being, safety and enjoyment of each player above everything, including winning
- Never engage in or tolerate any form of bullying
- Encourage each player to accept responsibility for their own behaviour and performance
- Co-operate fully with others in lacrosse (e.g. officials, doctors, physiotherapists, welfare officers) for each players' best interests
- Ensure all parents/carers of all players under the age of 18 understand these expectations

I understand if I do not adhere to the code of conduct, any or all of the following actions may be taken by my school, club, league, regional association, the National Lacrosse Committee or the England Lacrosse Board.

- Required to meet with the club, league or regional chair
- Required to meet with the club committee
- Monitored by another club coach
- Required to attend an appropriate education course
- Suspended by the club from attending matches
- Suspended or fined by the league or regional association
- Required to leave by your club or region.

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