



# SPECTATORS



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Everyone has a role to play in ensuring that our game is free of verbal and physical abuse and bullying; and that it can be played and watched in a safe and enjoyable environment. FFSA has devised a program to enhance the **RESPECT** that all participants receive, and in return, give to everyone involved in this great game. A specific **RESPECT** Code of Conduct has been devised for each of the groups involved with Football: Players; Team Captains; Coaches and Club Officials; Match Officials; Parents and Carers; and for you, our valued Spectators. A summary of the program should also be available at your club. As a spectator present at a Match, or otherwise involved in any activity staged or sanctioned by the club, association and/or the Football Federation SA YOU accept that you are required to:

1. **Respect** the decisions of Match Officials and teach children to do the same.
2. **Refrain from ridicule**; or refrain from unduly scolding a child for making a mistake.
3. **Respect the rights**, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, race, colour, religion, language, politics, national or ethnic origin.
4. **Refrain** from using violence in any form against any person, whether they be spectators, team officials, coaches, Match officials, players or spectators.
5. **Refrain** from engaging in discrimination, harassment or abuse in any form, including but not limited to the use of obscene or offensive language or gestures, the incitement of hatred or violence, or participation in indecent or racist chanting.
6. **Comply** with all terms of entry into a venue, including bag inspections, bans on the possession of prohibited and restricted items such as drugs, alcohol, flares, missiles, dangerous articles and items with a potential to cause injury or public nuisance.
7. **Refrain** from any attempt to bring into a venue: national flags, political flags or emblems, except the Recognised national flag of a competing team; or offensive or inappropriate banners, whether written in English or any other language.
8. **Refrain** from throwing missiles, including on to the field of play or at spectators.
9. **Required** to remain off the field of play or its surrounds unless you have lawful authority to enter.
10. **Conduct** yourself in a manner that enhances the reputation and goodwill of the club, association, the Football Federation SA and Football generally.

I the spectator accept that I have a responsibility to abide by this Respect Code of Conduct. If I don't do so I understand that I may be:

1. **Requested to refrain from such behaviour.**
2. **Requested to leave the venue.**
3. **Removed from the venue.**
4. **Suspended from attending future games.**
5. **Required to face disciplinary action by the Club, local association and/or the Football Federation SA.**
6. **Faced with legal action.**