

Coach / Manager Code of Conduct

As a sporting coach/manager working with children, it is essential to uphold a high standard of conduct to ensure the safety and well-being of all participants. The following code of conduct provides guidelines for coaches and managers to follow:

- Respect all children regardless of their race, gender, religion, or ability. Treat all participants with dignity and respect.
- Ensure the safety and well-being of all children at all times. Provide a safe environment and take steps to prevent injury.
- Avoid physical contact with children unless it is necessary for the child's safety or to demonstrate a technique. Always obtain the child's permission and communicate with parents or guardians if physical contact is necessary.
- Do not engage in any form of verbal or physical abuse towards children. Use positive reinforcement to encourage good behavior and correct negative behavior in a constructive manner.
- Communicate clearly and effectively with children and their parents or guardians. Provide regular updates and feedback on the child's progress and encourage open communication when possible or as needed.
- Be a positive role model for children. Demonstrate good sportsmanship and encourage fair play, honesty, and respect for others.
- Maintain professional boundaries with children and avoid any behavior that could be perceived as inappropriate.
- Adhere to all relevant policies and guidelines, including child protection policies and codes of conduct.
- Seek professional development opportunities to improve coaching skills and knowledge of child development.
- Report any concerns about a child's safety or well-being to the appropriate authorities or organization immediately.

I certify that I have read, understood and will comply with the Waikato Volleyball Coach / Manager Code of Conduct.

Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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