



Values Statement – St Joseph’s Netball Club

It is expected that all players/spectators/coaches/officials will adhere to the following:

Players

Play by the rules.

Work equally hard for yourself and your team. Your team’s performance will benefit, so will you.

Be a good sport! Applaud all good plays whether your team or the opposition makes them.

Never argue with officials. If you disagree; have your captain, coach or manager approach the official during a break or after the game.

Control your temper - Verbal abuse of coaches/ officials or other players is not tolerated.

Parents

Encourage all players with positive feedback. Negativity will only add to a player’s loss of confidence. Don’t be a bully! It only makes **you** look bad.

Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game.

Respect officials’ decisions (even if you do not agree with them) and teach your children to do likewise. Verbal abuse of coaches/ officials or other players is not tolerated.

Show appreciation for volunteer coaches, officials and team managers; without them, your child could not participate.

Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.

Basic court behaviours

For those new to the club and association, each umpire and club have certain restrictions on where to sit and how to “barrack”, including St Joseph’s. Be mindful when placing your seats near the sidelines and whether it is the most appropriate and safest place to be for players and umpires. If need be, clarify with the umpire or club.

Coaches are to abide by the safety rule of not walking up and down the courts for risk of colliding and distracting the umpires. Some umpires will be very strict on this and will expect coaches to remain in one designated area of the court. This also applies to supporters. Only coaches are expected to coach and “give directions” to players, whereby supporters are encouraged to do just that, support but not coach.

The umpires can stop the game if deemed behaviour is not appropriate. Any witnessed concerns of any persons’ behaviour, please approach your coach first and/or contact a member of the St Joseph’s Committee - please refer to January Newsletter for a list of names.

If there is a grievance issue regarding umpires please contact the Clubs Umpire coordinator.

Challenging an umpire does not change the outcome of a game. They are there to help all players each week and they do their best.