

Coffs Harbour Table Tennis Club – Open Age

Code of Conduct

General

- Treat each person respectfully and as an individual.
- Display control and courtesy to all involved with the sport.
- Respect the rights and worth of every person regardless of their gender, age, ability, cultural background or religion.
- Respect the decisions of officials, coaches and administrators in the conduct of the sport.
- Wherever practical, avoid unaccompanied and unobserved one-on-one activity (when in a supervisory capacity or where a power imbalance will exist) with people under the age of 18 years.
- Set a positive example to all persons involved in the sport of table tennis in encouraging them to exercise a high level of good behaviour and sportsmanship
- Adopt appropriate and responsible behaviour in all interactions.
- Adopt responsible behaviour in relation to alcohol and other drugs.
- Act with integrity and objectivity, and accept responsibility for your decisions and actions.
- Ensure your decisions and actions contribute to a safe environment.
- Ensure your decisions and actions contribute to a harassment free environment.
- Do not encourage harmful or abusive behaviours.
- Do not engage in conduct which would be likely to bring, the person, club, any club team or squad or the sport of table tennis into disrepute or contempt
- Operate within the rules of the sport (see links below: Rules 1.1 & 1.2)
- Promote fair play over winning at any cost.
- Encourage and support opportunities for people to learn appropriate behaviours and skills.
- Support opportunities for participation in all aspects of the sport.

Players

- Give your best at all times.
- Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit.
- **Don't be "that" player who gets a bad reputation for unfair play whether it's intentional or merely because of ignorance**

Coaches

- Place the safety and welfare of the athletes above all else.
- Help each person (athlete, official, etc) reach their potential - respect the talent, developmental stage and goals of each person and compliment and encourage with positive and supportive feedback.
- Any physical contact with a person should be appropriate to the situation and necessary for the person's skill development.
- Be honest and do not allow your qualifications to be misrepresented.

Officials

- Place the safety and welfare of the athletes above all else.
- Be consistent and impartial when making decisions.
- Address unsporting behaviour and promote respect for all people.

Administrators

- Act honestly, in good faith and in the best interests of the sport as a whole.
- Ensure that any information acquired or advantage gained from the position is not used improperly.
- Conduct your responsibilities with due care, competence and diligence.
- Do not allow prejudice, conflict of interest or bias to affect your objectivity.

Parents

- Encourage children to participate and have fun.
- Focus on the child's effort and performance rather than winning or losing.
- Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a competition.

Spectators

- Respect the performances and efforts of all people.
- Reject the use of violence in any form, whether it is by spectators, coaches, officials or athletes.

(Ref: STT, TTNSW, TTQ)

RULES

[1.1. Rules of Table Tennis-simplified](#)

[1.2. Rules of Table Tennis-official](#)