SPECTATOR BEHAVIOUR

Our commitment

Olympic FC ('The Club') is committed to providing a safe environment for participation. Aggressive, threatening or other inappropriate behaviour by members, their families, their friends, and other sporting personnel while attending a game or event will not be tolerated.

These behaviours are outlined in the Club's Code of Conduct and specifically include:

- Using bad language
- Harassing or ridiculing players, coaches, officials or other spectators
- Making racist, religious, sexist or other inappropriate comments to players, coaches, officials or other spectators
- Any threatening behaviour or physical altercation between spectators and players, coaches, officials or other spectators
- Putting undue pressure on children, berating them or putting down their performance
- Being intoxicated at a club event

What we will do;

- Provide affiliated members, their parents and other sporting personnel with the club's Code of Conduct and make clear what is expected and the consequences of non-compliance.
- Where possible, bind non-members by prominently displaying conditions of entry to grounds and facilities and by requiring parents to abide by the Club's rules (e.g. by making parents associate members, signing our Code of Conduct).
- Reinforce messages of fair and respectful behaviour by displaying signs and posters around our facilities and providing information on our website, in our newsletter and through other communications in the Club.
- Encourage our coaches and officials to complete training to develop their skills and confidence.
- Ban bringing alcohol to training, games and non-alcoholic club events.
- Consult with our local police and seek their support and advice on how to handle issues involving inappropriate behaviour by spectators prior to, at or after a game.
- Encourage the reporting of incidents and investigate inappropriate behaviours as outlined in this policy and take disciplinary or whatever other actions as are deemed necessary (e.g. appoint a ground official to monitor behaviour).

- Encourage the Club's players, coaches, officials and spectators to call the police if they are concerned about escalating behaviour and their safety or the safety of others.

What we ask you to do;

- Help create a positive atmosphere for players, officials and other spectators by showing respect for players, officials and other spectators.
- Abide by the Club's Code of Conduct and refrain from using bad language, harassing or ridiculing others or behaving in a threatening or violent manner.
- If you are aware of inappropriate spectator behaviour and you feel confident to do so, speak with the person and ask them to stop. If there is a ground official or committee member present, ask for their assistance.
- Report any inappropriate spectator behaviour to the Club's president or an authoritative member of the Club.
- Call the police or an official of the Club if you are concerned for your safety or the safety of others.

Non-Compliance

A breach may result in disciplinary actions by the club and other relevant governing bodies such as Football Queensland and/or Football Australia.