



LENNOX HEAD ALSTONVILLE SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB



NIPPERS CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

Spectators

1. Children play sports for fun. Children do not play for the entertainment of spectators, nor are they miniature professionals.
2. Applaud good performances, and the efforts of your child, and his/her opponents. Congratulate both on their performances, regardless of the outcome.
3. Respect the official's decision. If there is a disagreement, follow the appropriate procedures in order to appeal such decision. Teach the children to do likewise.
4. Never ridicule or scold a child for making a mistake during competition. Positive comments are motivational.
5. Condemn the use of violence in any form, be it from spectators, officials or participants.
6. Encourage competitors to compete according to the rules and officials decision.
7. Demonstrate appropriate social behaviour by not using foul language, harassing competitors, Age Managers, or officials.
8. Relax and enjoy yourself.

Competitors

1. Compete for fun and not just to please parents or Age Managers.
2. Always play by the rules.
3. Never argue with an official. If you disagree, have your Age Manager approach the officials in the proper manner.
4. Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials or other competitors, deliberately fouling or provoking others, is not acceptable, nor permitted in any sport.
5. Work equally hard for yourself and your team.
6. Be a good sport. Cheer ALL good competitors and support the not so good.
7. Treat all competitors as you would like to be treated.
8. Do not interfere with, bully or take advantage of another competitor.
9. Co-operate with your Age Manager, team-mates and opponents. Without them there is no competition.
10. ENJOY YOURSELF

Parents

1. If children are interested encourage them to play. If they are not willing, do not force them.
2. Focus on the child's efforts and performance rather than the overall outcome of an event. Help the child set realistic goals related to their ability, rather than focus on the emphasis on winning.
3. Teach them that an honest effort is just as important as victory so that each result can be accepted without undue disappointment.
4. Encourage children to play according to the rules.
5. Remember children learn best by example. Applaud good performances by all.
6. Support efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.
7. Recognise the value and importance of helping out and becoming involved. Even the smallest amount of help will be appreciated.