



CODE OF CONDUCT UMPIRES

To the Club Secretary...

Umpires who officiate at games in Hills Junior competitions will either be accredited by NSWBUA, Hills or NSWJBL, or will be "unaccredited". The latter group generally includes parents, generally at tee-ball games, who officiate because they are the "last man {or woman} standing" when nominations for a team umpire are called.

The League thanks and welcomes such people. While not wanting to place barriers in the way of their participation, there is one thing that they must do, and that is to assent to this Umpire's Code of Conduct. The League encourages such people to eventually do the appropriate course and gain accreditation, but until they do, their sole requirement to umpire in Hills Juniors is to assent to this statement. Umpires who are members of NSWBUA or have been accredited by Hills or NSWJBL are exempt from the requirements of this Code of Conduct because they will have assented to a similar document.

As an Umpire, I will;-

- 1) Officiate by the competition conditions and rules. I will to the best of my ability, training and knowledge, do so using proper mechanics.
- 2) Control my temper – personal criticism of any person by word or gesture is unacceptable. I will show respect for the participants and their skills. Verbal abuse towards players, managers, coaches, officials or spectators will not be tolerated. I will refrain from profanity at all times
- 3) Not allow drug use of any kind (unless prescribed by a licensed physician). The use of any form of tobacco or alcohol of any description on the field or in the vicinity thereof, or while in uniform, is prohibited. I shall not use such drugs, alcohol or tobacco in contravention of this clause nor shall I allow any participant in any fixture to do so.
- 4) Be friendly to all participants and encourage players to ask me to clarify any call, whether it be a judgement call or a decision on the Rules. I will generally warn players of unacceptable behaviour before taking further action for a second offence, although I reserve the right to cite or eject a player for a first offence.
- 5) Not tolerate any activity likely to result in loss or wilful damage to private property or to cause a disturbance. I will not engage in any such activity nor allow anyone involved in any fixture to do so.
- 6) Not wear visible jewellery (e.g. earrings or studs) whilst officiating.
- 7) Not eat on the baseball field and my drinking shall be limited to water or other soft drink.
- 8) Require the scorer(s) to record all injuries on the appropriate form.
- 9) Require the scorer(s) to properly record in the scorebook(s) any event which may result in me making a person the subject of an Umpire's Report.

<i>Name:</i>
<i>Club:</i>

I understand the requirements of The League and the conduct expected of me as outlined in the commitment expressed herein. I understand that I will be subject to disciplinary action should I breach this agreement.

I am aware that I am ineligible to apply for, undertake, or remain in child-related employment if I have ever been convicted of a "serious sex offence" as defined in the Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act 1998. I declare that I am not such a person prohibited under the Act from undertaking and remaining in child-related employment.

Signed

Dated