



BBAFC SPECTATOR BEHAVIOUR

Our Commitment

Our club is committed to providing a safe environment for participation. Angry, aggressive or other inappropriate behaviour by members, their families and friends, and other sporting personnel while attending a game or event will not be tolerated.

These behaviours are outlined in our codes of behaviour 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.
- Arriving drunk or drinking at a game or event.

What We Will Do

- Provide members and their parents and sporting personnel with codes of behaviour and make clear what is expected and the consequences of non-compliance.
- Where possible, bind non-members by prominently displaying conditions of entry and by requiring parents to abide by club rules (e.g. by making parents associate members, signing code of conduct or registration forms).

- Reinforce messages of fair and respectful behaviour by displaying signage, posters, web messages and through other club communication.
- Encourage our coaches and officials to complete training to develop their skills and confidence.
- Ban bringing alcohol or drinking alcohol at games or events.
- Consult with our local police and seek their support and advice on how to handle issues with 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 our players, coaches, officials and spectators to call the police if they are concerned about escalating behaviour and their safety or the safety of others.