

Code Of Conduct - Howden Rosslyn Park National Schools Sevens

Player Behaviour

- All players are expected to treat the officials, their teammates and the opposition players with **respect**.
- Understand that the experience and exposure to the tournament will have a far greater influence on both your **own and your team's development** than winning or losing.
- **It's just a game**. Never engage in either physical violence or verbal abuse of a teammate, opposition or official. Players are expected to represent their school positively on and off the field.

Spectator & Coach Behaviour

- All spectators and coaches are expected to contribute to the **positive atmosphere** and **unique environment** of the Howden Rosslyn Park National School Sevens.
- Our collective aim must be to create a **positive experience** for all players. Encouraging as many young people as possible to stay engaged in the game throughout their education and later life.
- We expect to see those outside the field of play **contributing to the players enjoyment**, without the aim of influencing the game or officials.

Safeguarding & Welfare

- The **welfare of children and young people is paramount**, and all adults must always behave appropriately towards young people. Any safeguarding concerns should be **reported immediately** to tournament staff.
- Social media should be used **responsibly to celebrate** the tournament.
- Please be conscious of schools safeguarding policies (such as a “no face” photograph policy). Be aware that there will be individuals participating in the tournament that will **not have given consent** for their image to be used for any type of public media. We **strongly encourage obtaining permission** from anyone identifiable before taking videos or pictures.

The organisers reserve the right to take action, including removal from the venue and referral to schools or governing bodies, where behaviour falls below the expected standards.