## Spectator Code of Behaviour and Ground Marshal Rights and Responsibilities

## **Spectator Code of Behaviour**

By exchanging this card with the other team, we agree to work together and remove the negative attitudes and abusive behaviour that occur on the sidelines and on the field of play.

We, as players, coaches, referees and spectators agree to:

- Always respect the decision of Match Officials
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, race, colour, religion, language, politics, national or ethnic origin
- Never use violence in any form, whether against other spectators, team officials, match officials or coaches
- Never engage in discrimination, harassment or abuse in any form, including obscene or abusive language or gestures
- · Never ridicule or unduly scold a player for making a mistake
- Conduct ourselves in a manner that enhances, rather than injures the reputation and goodwill of football in general.

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Reference: Spectator Code of Behaviour

## **Ground Marshal Rights & Responsibilities**

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A ground marshal's duties include but are not limited to:

• Helping with the security and safety of players, match referees and club officials.

If a ground marshal feels a spectator is breaching the above or is not adhering to the Code of Behaviour (see over) they have the right to:

- ASK the spectator to stop
- TELL the spectator to stop

- REMOVE the offending spectator from the sideline
- INFORM the referee of the breach after the match

Please note that Football West will be taking a no tolerance approach to spectator misbehaviour – offending clubs may find themselves heavily sanctioned in the case of repeat offences.

For further information, please see the D&G By-Law and Competition Rules available at footballwest.com.au

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