COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT

- 1. Do not tolerate acts of aggression.
- 2. Provide feedback to players and other participants in a manner sensitive to their needs. Avoid overly negative feedback.
- 3. Recognise players' rights to consult with other coaches and advisers. Cooperate fully with other specialists (for example, sports scientists, doctors and physiotherapists).
- 4. Treat all players fairly within the context of their sporting activities, regardless of gender, race, place of origin, athletic potential, colour, sexual orientation, religion, political beliefs, socio-economic status and other conditions.
- 5. Encourage and facilitate players' independence and responsibility for their own behaviour, performance, decisions and actions.
- 6. Involve the players in decisions that affect them.
- 7. Encourage players to respect one another and to expect respect for their worth as individuals regardless of their level of play.
- 8. Ensure that the tasks and/or training set are suitable for age, experience, ability, and physical and psychological conditions of the players.
- 9. Ensure any physical contact with players is appropriate to the situation and necessary for the player's skill development.
- 10. Be acutely aware of the power that you as a coach develop with your players in the coaching relationship and avoid any sexual intimacy with players that could develop as a result.
- 11. Avoid situations with your players that could be construed as compromising.
- 12. Actively discourage the use of performance enhancing drugs, and the use of alcohol, tobacco and illegal substances.
- 13. Do not exploit any coaching relationship to further personal, political or business interests at the expense of the best interest of your players.
- 14. Accept and respect the role of officials in ensuring that competitions are conducted fairly and according to established rules.
- 15. Know and abide by rules, regulations and standards, and encourage players to do likewise. Accept both the letter and the spirit of the rules.
- 16. Be honest and ensure that qualifications are not misrepresented.

In addition, the following general codes apply to all members:

- 1. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of others.
- 2. Be fair, considerate and honest in all dealing with others.
- 3. Be professional in, and accept responsibility for, your actions.
- 4. Make a commitment to providing quality service.
- 5. Be aware of, and maintain an uncompromising adhesion to high standards, rules, regulations and policies.
- 6. Operate within the rules of the sport including national and international quidelines.
- 7. Do not use your involvement with MMFC to promote your own beliefs, behaviours or practices where these are inconsistent with those of MMFC.
- 8. Demonstrate a high degree of individual responsibility especially when dealing with persons under 18 years of age.
- 9. Avoid unaccompanied and unobserved activities with persons under 18 years of age, wherever possible.
- 10. Be aware of responsibilities under the Child Protection Act and report any matters as required under the mandatory reporting requirements of the Child Protection Act.
- 11. Refrain from any form of harassment, discrimination or racial vilification of others.
- 12. Refrain from any behaviour that may bring MMFC or football into disrepute.
- 13. Provide a safe environment for the conduct of the activity.
- 14. Show concern and caution towards others who may be sick or injured.
- 15. Be a positive role model.