

PLAYERS – LEGAL RIGHTS & RESPONSIBILITIES

As a player you have the right to:

- a safe playing environment
- be treated with dignity and respect and not bullied or harassed on or off the field
- be treated fairly e.g. in team selection
- complain about inappropriate and unlawful behaviours irrespective of whether the behaviour is from your coach, your team mates or opposition teams
- a fair process – if you make a complaint or someone complains about you, you should not be harassed or bullied.

As a player/athlete you also have responsibilities. They include:

- following your club's [Member Protection](#) policy and [codes of behaviour](#)
- treating everyone involved in your sport – coaches, officials, other players etc. – with respect
- not harassing, bullying or using inappropriate language
- acting fairly and responsibly
- recognising people's personal space (i.e. not touching someone in away that makes them feel uncomfortable)
- allowing any investigation into complaints against you to occur without victimising the complainant or attempting to influence witnesses

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