



## **OMFC GENERAL CODE OF CONDUCT**

### **Season 2018**

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#### **1. General**

Old Melburnians Football Club (OMFC) actively supports the Victorian Code of Conduct for Community Sport, which ensures every person in Victoria has the right to participate in community sport which is safe, welcoming and inclusive of anyone regardless of age, gender, sexual orientation, ethnic origin, religion, culture or disability, and will have the opportunity to participate in our sport without fear of abuse, intimidation or sexual harassment.

OMFC accepts the responsibility of ensuring participation in our community sport event is free of any anti-social behaviour both on and off field, which would prevent others from taking part and getting active.

OMFC has the responsibility of adhering to and enforcing the code through the proper reporting processes and enforcing the Code through sport specific penalties.

OMFC seeks to provide all players, officials and supporters with a high quality, enjoyable and energetic competition. It is expected that all involved will display, as their prime objective, good sportsmanship and fellowship in order to attain maximum enjoyment, recreation and social interaction for all concerned.

#### **2. Umpires, Officials, Scoring and Volunteers**

Any person (player, supporter, community member) subject to this code of conduct, shall not make any public comment about an Umpire or a decision made by an Umpire. Where a person contravenes this Regulation, they will be subject to a club driven sanction.

No person (player, supporter, community member) subject to this code of conduct shall approach, talk or intimidate an Umpire, official, scorer or volunteer during the quarter time, half time or three quarter time interval or when the Umpires are entering or leaving the Arena.

Any team address shall be given outside the centre square

Players, supporters and community members will barrack, support and encourage the people participating in the game, regardless of role type.

### **3. Alcohol Policy**

This policy provides the guidelines for the responsible consumption of alcohol at OMFC functions. The club recognises the potentially dangerous and negative impacts of binge drinking. The club endorse the attitude of the community about responsible drinking.

The club recognises the responsibilities and community expectations of serving alcohol which helps to generate income and hold social functions. To ensure the aims of the club are upheld and that alcohol is managed responsibly by the club and its members, the following requirements will apply when alcohol is served at the club or during a club function. The OMFC will operate within the VAFA Alcohol policy.

- a. Serving Alcohol
  - i. When required Club maintains a current appropriate Liquor Licence.
  - ii. Bar servers do not consume alcohol when on duty.
  - iii. People under 18 will not serve alcohol.
  - iv. The club does not encourage excessive or rapid consumption of alcohol.
- b. Intoxicated Patrons
  - i. Drunk patrons will not be permitted to enter the premises/function.
  - ii. Alcohol will not be served to any person who is intoxicated or drunk.
  - iii. Drunk patrons will be asked to leave the premises (after appropriate safe transport options are offered).
- c. Underage Drinking
  - i. Alcohol will not be served to persons aged under 18.
  - ii. Servers and committee members will ask for proof of age whenever necessary or whenever in doubt.
  - iii. Only photo ID's will be accepted as 'proof of age'.
- d. Alcohol Alternatives
  - i. Tap water is provided free of charge (where available).
  - ii. Non-alcoholic drinks options are always available.

### **4. Team Selection & Injured Player Policy**

This policy provides the guidelines for the selection of teams. The club's priority is to provide all players with an environment where they can develop their football and leadership to full potential. It is equally important that all players achieve maximum enjoyment from both training and playing AFL.

OMFC fields a number of teams in the VAFA. These teams have differing levels of skills and fitness requirements. The club will make its best endeavours to ensure that the appropriate level of coaching and resources are provided.

- a. Selection Panel
  - i. The selection panel consists of the team coach and their assistants.
  - ii. The senior coach oversees the selection panel process for all teams.
- b. Game Day Selection Criteria
  - i. Financial players will be selected ahead of non-financial players
  - ii. Player skills and fitness

- iii. Participation at training.
- iv. Players who train regularly will be given priority. (If the coaching panel is advised discretion will be used if players are unable to train due to work or study commitments.)
- v. Player attitude
- vi. Where there is surplus of players the selection panel will rotate players to ensure all players play a similar number of games per season.
- vii. Injured players are expected to attend games and undertake game day roles such as: timekeeping, interchange official and umpires escort.
- c. Injured Players & Injuries Sustained During Games
  - i. If a player is injured during a game and there is a medical diagnosis preventing a player taking to the field. The coaches will enforce the medical diagnosis.