



# Cumberland United Football Club

## Child Safe Commitment

*Our Club: SUPPORTS Kids, Is SAFE for Kids, Is FUN for Kids*

### Our Commitment

Our club is committed to providing a safe environment for participation. Aggressive, threatening or other inappropriate behaviour by members, their families, their friends, and other sporting personnel while attending a game or event will not be tolerated.

These behaviours are outlined in our Code of Conduct for Parents and Players.

Our Club has developed a supporting Child Safe Policy.

### Child Safe Environment

As a child safe organisation our club is committed to protecting children from neglect and physical, sexual, emotional and psychological harm.

This commitment extends beyond creating an environment that minimises risk or danger. It is about building an environment that is both safe and child friendly – an environment in which children feel respected, valued and encouraged to reach their full potential.

**Everyone** within our club **has a responsibility** to care for and protect all children who participate in our activities.

### What we ask you to do

- Help create a positive atmosphere for players, officials and other spectators by showing respect for players, officials and other spectators.
- Abide by our club's Code of Conduct and refrain from using bad language, harassing or ridiculing others or behaving in a threatening or violent manner.
- Recognise child abuse and neglect.
- Understanding child abuse is important when recognising and reporting issues.
  - **Physical** – purposefully injuring or threatening to injure.
  - **Emotional** – an attack on a child's self-esteem (bullying, name calling, threatening, isolating etc.)
  - **Sexual** – any sexual act or sexual threat.
  - **Neglect** – failure to provide the basic physical and emotional needs.
- If you are aware of inappropriate behaviour and you feel confident to do so, speak with the person and ask them to stop.
- Report any inappropriate behaviour to the club.
- Reference the club's **Risk Management Plan for Inappropriate Behaviour** for reporting options.
- Call the police if you are concerned for your safety or the safety of others.

