

Nippers Name/s: _____

Date: _____

Mothers Signature: _____

Fathers Signature: _____

Mooloolaba Surf Club Nippers

Code of Conduct – Mooloolaba Surf Club Nippers Managers and Officials

Surf Life Saving Queensland through Surf Sports Australia has printed and published a Code of Conduct for Coaches, Officials, Team Managers, Age Managers and Chaperones.

A copy is provided for those parents/supporters of the Mooloolaba Surf Club Nippers who volunteer to take on one of the above roles. It is then an expectation that you shall be aware of and uphold the SLSA policies, the Code of Conduct and understand the consequences of any breach of the fore mentioned.

Code of Conduct – Mooloolaba Surf Club Nippers For Nippers, Parents and Spectators

This code is designed:

- To maintain appropriate guidelines and the element of enjoyment and satisfaction in nipper activities.
- To improve the physical fitness of all children by making it skill based, safe and enjoyable for all children.
- To make adults aware that children participate to satisfy themselves and not necessarily to satisfy adults or members of their own peer group.
- To behave in a manner that sets examples for all.
- Ensure that our club is not brought into disrepute and asked to withdraw from Carnivals and Competitions as a result of breaches of the Code of Conduct and SLSQ Policies.

NIPPER'S CODE

- Participate for 'enjoyment and a fair competition ', not just to please your parents or age manager.
- Remember that the goals of Nippers are to have fun, improve your skills and to make long-term friendships.
- Work equally hard for yourself and your team – your team's performance will benefit and so will your own.
- Be a good sport.
- Treat all teammates and competitors, as you yourself would like to be treated. Don't interfere with, bully or take unfair advantage of any person.
- Co-operate with your coach, manager, officials, teammates, and other competitors.
- Never argue with your Age Manager, Team Manager or an Official's decision.
- Do not approach an official at any stage during or immediately after a carnival event.
- Respect and share all club equipment

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PARENT'S CODE

- Remember, children are involved in Nipper activities for their enjoyment, not yours.
- Do not force an unwilling child to participate in nipper activities.
- Encourage you child to actively promote good sportsmanship.
- Teach your child that an honest effort and working towards skill development is as important as an event placing at this age.
- Never ridicule or yell at your child for making a mistake or for not placing in an event.
- Remember that children learn best by example – the result should be accepted with no undue disappointment from you!
- Do not publicly question any age manager, team manager or official's judgment and never his/her honesty.
- Do not approach any carnival referee/official at any stage during any competition. See your age manager in the first instance and then jointly the team manager.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from the Mooloolaba Nipper Surf Club.
- Recognise the value and importance of volunteer coaches, managers and officials. They give their time and resources to provide recreational activities for your children.

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SPECTATOR'S CODE

- Remember that the children are involved in Nippers for their own enjoyment and participation. They are not there to entertain you and they are not miniature versions of your favourite Ironman or Iron woman.
- Be on your best behavior. Don't use offensive language or harass competitors, team managers, age managers, officials or other spectators.
- Applaud and show respect for all competitors and never ridicule or scold a competitor during or after an event.
- SLEDGING will never be accepted in any shape or form
- Condemn the use of violence, verbal and physical in all forms.
- Respect the referee's decisions.
- Do not approach any carnival referee/official at any stage during any competition. See your age manager in the first instance and then jointly the team manager.

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