



SOUTH WEST SYDNEY ROAR

ABN 60 293 625 078

SOUTH WEST SYDNEY ROAR ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY

To ensure a safe and enjoyable playing environment for all players, officials, participants and staff, South West Sydney Roar has in place a Zero Tolerance Policy and Sports Rage Policy for inappropriate behaviour at any of our events (competitions, training programs, etc).

South West Sydney Roar recommends and adopts the guidelines from '*Play by the Rules*', the *NSW Office of the Children's Guardian*, and the *NSW Office of Sport & Recreation* in regard to safe sporting environments and sports rage. Sport rage is any violence, foul language, harassment, abuse or bad behaviour in sport. Any form of sport rage is bad for sport - reducing enjoyment, risking safety, and tarnishing club reputations.

Please see the websites below for further information:

<http://www.playbytherules.net.au/>

<https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/>

<https://sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au/clubs/ryc/fairplay/sportrage>

This Policy will ensure that:

1. There will be a zero tolerance policy towards any inappropriate or abusive behaviour from players, officials, parents, spectators or staff.
2. Any participant or spectator who feels the necessity to:
 - Persistently, willfully and/or aggressively question or challenge the rulings of referees
 - Persistently, willfully and/or aggressively question or challenge the rulings of our staff
 - Berate, taunt or abuse our staff
 - Berate, taunt or abuse referees
 - Berate, taunt or abuse players
 - Berate, taunt or abuse other parents or spectators
 - Perpetrates violence against players, officials, parents, staff or spectators
 - Display conduct deemed inappropriate in a sporting environment
 - Breach any applicable NSW or Commonwealth laws

will be asked to leave the venue immediately. Failure to do so will result in further action.

Failure to leave when requested will result in a South West Sydney Roar representative taking appropriate action to safeguard the safety and wellbeing of players, spectators and parents. No warnings need to be given in the event of the above action becoming necessary. Any participant who has been requested to leave an event may also be suspended, required to attend a disciplinary hearing, and/or refused entry for future events.

South West Sydney Roar reserves the right to refuse entry to any event for any person(s) in breach of the South West Sydney Roar Zero Tolerance Policy.

Please note that any action taken under this policy and procedure is entirely separate to any action that may be necessitated by law under the NSW Child Protection Legislation.

If you would like to offer feedback or request clarification on this issue please speak with staff or contact the General Manager on the next business day.

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