

# Play by the Rules

# Does your club

Fair and safely-run sport and recreation clubs and associations will help

- enhance co-operation between members
- assure commitment to the organisation and the game
- attract new members, and keep existing ones
- result in personal and team satisfaction

## contact us

If you think you have been discriminated against, or have a concern, question or complaint about harassment, child protection or inappropriate behaviour, contact:



### Sport and Recreation Services

Phone: (02) 6207 2111  
www.sport.act.gov.au



### Australian Government Australian Sports Commission

www.ausport.gov.au



ACT Human Rights Commission  
Level 4, 12 Moore St, Canberra 2601  
Ph: (02) 6205 2222  
Website: www.hrc.act.gov.au

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fair and safe  
behaviour in sport  
and recreation



## Be a good sport

- Treat all participants in your sport as you like to be treated yourself.
- Co-operate with your team-mates, coach and opponents.
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse and sledging are not acceptable behaviours.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their ability, gender or cultural background.

## You must feel safe

- playing, at training and practice
- travelling to and from games and training
- with other players, your coach or team personnel

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## Bad sporting behaviour is unacceptable, and it can be unlawful.

[www.playbytherules.net.au](http://www.playbytherules.net.au)

provides information and online training on discrimination, harassment and child protection to address inappropriate behaviour in sport. It complements the Australian Sports Commission's Harassment-free Sport Strategy.

If you think that you have been abused, discriminated against or harassed, tell someone about it:

- a friend, colleague or parent
- a club official or contact officer
- your state or national association
- your department of sport and recreation
- your equal opportunity or anti-discrimination body
- the Australian Sports Commission
- your child welfare agency or the police

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## No-one should

- make you feel unsafe
- ask you to do things that you are not comfortable with
- verbally abuse you or anyone else
- make racist or sexist jokes or comments
- allow offensive pictures or graffiti to be visible
- look at or touch anyone in ways that make them feel uncomfortable
- make uninvited sexual comments that offend, intimidate or humiliate
- discriminate against or harass anyone else

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