## JFA(ACT) CODES OF CONDUCT

The JFA(ACT) asks that the following points be brought to the notice of all officials, players and spectators in your club by providing each of them with a copy.

## Officials, Coaches and Managers' Codes of behaviour

Encourage the enjoyment of Judo and ensure that the time players spend with you is a positive experience. Set an example of good sporting behaviour. Operate within the rules and spirit of Judo and encourage your players to do the same.

Make a commitment to providing quality development and support for your players by:

- treating each player as an individual
- respecting the development stage, talent and goals of each individual player
- helping each player to reach his or her full potential
- being fair, considerate and honest with players
- providing a training program, which is planned and sequential
- seeking continual improvement in your coaching skills, by participating in ongoing development.

Act professionally and accept responsibility for your actions by:

- displaying self-control and respect for the dignity of players, opponents, officials and others
- encouraging your players to demonstrate the same qualities
- providing a safe environment for training and competition
- not personally abusing, ridiculing or otherwise undermining players from any club
- avoiding physical contact with players that is not appropriate to the situation or necessary for the player's skill development.

Show concern and caution towards sick and injured players by:

- allowing participation only when fit to train and play
- advising players to seek medical advice when required
- providing a modified training program where appropriate
- maintaining the same interest towards sick and injured players.

## **Role of Parents, Guardians and Supporters**

The delivery of Judo in the ACT (and surrounding areas) would not be possible without the ongoing commitment of parents, guardians and supporters who provide voluntary assistance in many ways. Their expectations and attitudes significantly affect the enjoyment that children receive from sport participation.

To ensure that children receive the greatest benefit from their Judo activities, JFA(ACT) asks that parents, guardians and supporters bear these points in mind:

- If children are interested in Judo, encourage them to play. However, if children are not willing to play, do not force them.
- Focus upon the child's efforts and performance rather than the overall outcome of the event. This assists the child in setting realistic goals related to her/his ability by reducing the emphasis on winning.
- Teach children that an honest effort is as important as victory, so that the result of each contest is accepted without undue disappointment.
- Encourage children to always play according to the rules.
- Never ridicule or shout at a child for making a mistake or losing a contest.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from the playing arena.
- Recognise the value and importance of coaches and referees and allow them to control the contest.
- Be a model of good sports behaviour.
- Do not walk on the mat at any time if you are not a part of the class, particularly in shoes.
- At tournaments obey all crowd control barriers. Do not congregate or sit in walkways, stand in front of seated spectators, sit in the coaching chairs without permission, sit inside barriers, bush against or try to move barriers.
- Be courteous in communication with players, coaches, officials and administrators.
- During tournaments it is not appropriate to yell or swear at officials including referees. If there are any concerns raise them through the appropriate channels. These include, your own coach, the tournament commission and the referees' commission.
- Physical intimidation of officials will not be tolerated.

## Players' code of behaviour

- Play by the rules and within the spirit of Judo
- Co-operate with your coach and be respectful of other players, without them there would be no competition.
- Never argue with an official. If you disagree, have your coach or manager approach the official through the appropriate channels.
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials or other players, deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent is neither acceptable nor permitted.
- Treat all players as you would like to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully, or take unfair advantage of another player.
- Play for the fun of it and not just to please parents and coaches.

Please note that any matters arising under the codes of behaviour will be referred to the JFA(ACT) disciplinary committee for further action.