

FOOTY JAPAN COMPETITIONS

YOUTH COMPETITION SAFEGUARDING & WELFARE

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Footy Japan is committed to providing a safe, positive and inclusive environment for all children participating in our programmes and competitions.

1. Responsibility

Safeguarding is the responsibility of all adults involved, including coaches, parents, referees and organisers.

All participants are expected to act in a way that supports a safe and respectful environment.

2. Expected Behaviour

All adults must:

- Treat children with respect at all times
 - Promote a positive and supportive environment
 - Avoid behaviour that may cause harm, distress or discomfort
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3. Safe Environment

We aim to provide:

- Well-organised and appropriately supervised activities
 - Clear communication with participants and parents
 - A setting where players feel safe to participate and express themselves
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4. Boundaries

Appropriate boundaries between adults and children must always be maintained.

This includes:

- Appropriate communication
 - Respect for personal space
 - Avoiding situations that may place a child at risk
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5. Reporting Concerns

Any safeguarding concern should be reported to a member of staff or competition organiser.

Concerns will be handled appropriately and, where necessary, escalated.

6. Parents & Guardians

Parents and guardians are responsible for their child's welfare outside of organised activity time.

They are also expected to support a safe and respectful environment.

7. Equality & Inclusion

Footy Japan promotes an inclusive environment where all participants are treated fairly and with respect, regardless of background or ability.

8. Review

This approach will be reviewed periodically to ensure it remains appropriate and effective.