



POSITIVE OR POINTLESS – DO AND DONT'S

DON'T:

- No Swearing – ever!
- Use negative language.
- Put people down – ever!
- Talk about one player to other players.
- Criticise during or at the end of the game.
- Favour one player over another, either in court time, attention, or any other aspect.
- No abuse of other team – players, coaches or managers, officials-Umpires, or team mates – Ever!

DO:

- Use Positive Language
- At the end of the game – Praise, regardless of performance.
- Use training for skills development, addressing skill or execution issues or attitude/behavioral issues.
- Make your expectations known but be polite about it
- Focus on what they are doing well, but provide ideas to further improve player performance.
- Pick the right time and place to provide feedback.
- Be careful when you provide feedback. If not delivered carefully it can be taken as criticism, particularly when provided in front of their peers.
- Before you say something understand the impact of your comments in the peer group environment.
- Provide the player with the ability to identify their areas for development (promote self-assessment) – Ask where do you think you need to improve or what do you think you need to do better?
- Keep parents up to date and aware of child's progress and required development actions – Encourage Parents to support.
- Give all players equal attention and consideration.
- Give each player equal opportunity.
- Treat people as you would like to be treated.
- Barrack and Cheer – but do it in a Positive and Supportive way!

