CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

PARENT / CARER CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

Encourage children to participate if they are interested. Do not force a child who is not willing.

Focus upon the child's efforts rather than the overall outcome of the event. This assists the child in setting realistic goals related to their ability by reducing the emphasis on winning.

Teach children that an honest effort is as important as victory, so that the result of each event is accepted without undue dissappointment.

Encourage children to always participate according to the rules.

Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing an event.

Remember children are involved in Little Athletics for their enjoyment., not yours.

If you disagree with an official, raise the issue through the appropriate channels rather than questioning the official's judgement and honesty in public.

Remember, it is a volunteer parent who in most cases will be the official.

Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse at Little Athletics

activities

- Recognize the value and importance of being a qualified volunteer official and/or coach. They give their time and resources to provide recreational activities for children and deserve your support.
- Demonstrate appropriate social behaviour, by not harassing athletes, coaches, officials or other parents or by being intoxicated or smoking on the arena.

PARENT / CARER RESPONSIBILITY

Little Athletics requires the assistance of all parents to provide a quality Little Athletics program for children to enjoy.

Age groups are not run by a Police or DCSI cleared chaperone. Athletes must be accompanied by a parent. If you cannot accompany an athlete, other than due to volunteering at the Centre meeting, then you must make alternative arrangements for the athlete.

The CDLAC Committee has decided that no Athlete will be allowed to compete unless one parent/carer is in attendance. If the parent or carer is not available for extenuating reasons then arrangements will need to be made with the President (or substitute) prior to the meeting as to who is taking responsibility for the athlete. This ruling will be enforced throughout the year.