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Subject: SPIRIT OF THE GAME INDICATOR

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Audience: Club Presidents, Club Secretaries

Summary: As part of the WAAFL Strategic Plan 2017-2020, the Board established a Spirit of the Game Indicator +1 to measure the competition's integrity. Results for the 2018 season are outlined below.	Action: Information only.
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The WAAFL's Spirit of the Game is to recognise that there is a critical element of the conduct of a game of Australian rules football that cannot be the subject of written rules nor of regulation by the administrators of the competition.

This element of fairness, decency and honesty which coaches, players, umpires and spectators must bring to the conduct of the game on every occasion and in all situations, which arise in the conduct of the game.

A sample of 2751 players, club officials, coaches and umpires were invited to provide feedback at rounds 1 to 6, 7 to 12 and 13 to 18 on the match day behaviour of players, coaches and spectators.

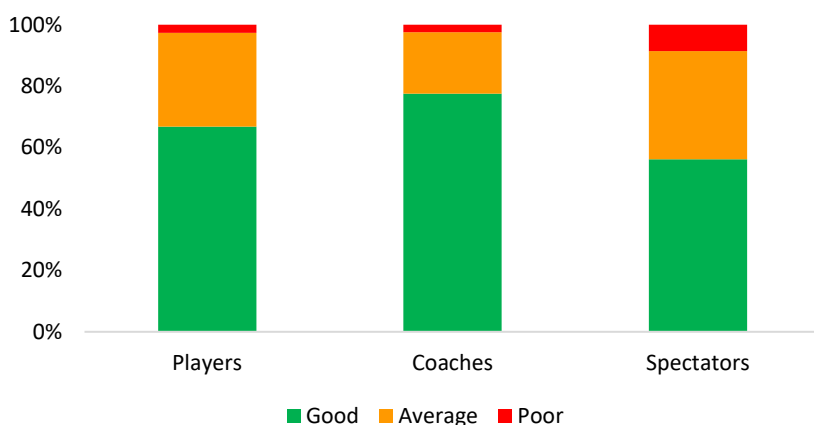
Feedback from:	Recipients	Response Rate
Club Presidents	198	56%
Players	300	8%
Coaches	675	29%
Umpires	1578	22%
Total	2751	25%

SPIRIT OF THE GAME INDICATOR +1

Feedback on:	Benchmark "Good"	2018	Score	Benchmark
Players	75%	67%	0.89	1
Coaches	75%	78%	1.03	1
Spectators	75%	56%	0.75	1
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A score above 1 is considered "Good".

2018 OVERALL SUMMARY – PLAYER, COACH AND SPECTATOR MATCH DAY BEHAVIOUR



SUMMARY	Poor	Average	Good
Player behaviour	3%	31%	67%
Coach behaviour	2%	20%	78%
Spectator behaviour	9%	35%	56%
Total	5%	29%	67%

BREAKDOWN OF PLAYER, COACH AND SPECTATOR MATCH DAY BEHAVIOUR

Club Official feedback on -	Poor	Average	Good
Player behaviour	4%	23%	74%
Coach behaviour	2%	25%	74%
Spectator behaviour	10%	32%	58%
Total	5%	26%	68%

Player feedback on -	Poor	Average	Good
Player behaviour	4%	36%	60%
Coach behaviour	0%	24%	76%
Spectator behaviour	8%	36%	56%
Total	4%	32%	64%

Coach feedback on -	Poor	Average	Good
Player behaviour	1%	21%	78%
Coach behaviour	1%	13%	86%
Spectator behaviour	4%	32%	64%
Total	2%	22%	76%

Umpire feedback on -	Poor	Average	Good
Player behaviour	3%	38%	59%
Coach behaviour	4%	22%	74%
Spectator behaviour	11%	38%	51%
Total	6%	32%	62%