

Coach's Code of Conduct

The role of the coach is to inspire a love of the game and a desire to complete fairly – *winning isn't everything*. With that in mind MYSAs coaches will follow these conduct guidelines:

1. I will show respect for all players, all teams staff, all officials, and all spectators at all times.
2. I will work in cooperation with referees for the benefit of the game.
3. I will remember that players play to have fun and must be encouraged to have confidence in themselves.
4. I will ensure any questions I direct at officials will be constructive in nature.
5. I will ensure that all players receive equal instruction and support.
6. I will provide each player with playing time subject to factors such as attitude, attendance, the weather, fitness levels, positions played, and the needs of the game. In particular, players on recreational teams should receive equal playing time.
7. I will arrive early and be prepared for games and practices.
8. I will teach my players to play fairly and to respect the rules, themselves, referees, opponents, and spectators.
9. I will publicly shake hands with officials and the opposition after the game and display modesty in defeat and graciousness in victory.
10. I will be selective in the amount of instruction I give players during the game.
11. I will make sure that equipment and facilities are safe and match the players' ages and abilities.
12. I will be reasonable when re-scheduling games and practices, remembering that the players and their families have other obligations.
13. I will never take part in a practice, game or team event while under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol.
14. I will never provide alcohol or drugs to players.
15. I will obtain proper training and upgrade my coaching skills and knowledge of the game, according to the standards of MYSAs, Brandon Youth Soccer, Soccer Manitoba and Soccer Canada.
16. I will maintain an up-to-date knowledge of the game and the rules of play.
17. I will inform parents/guardians of any injuries their son/daughter may have suffered.
18. I will not take part in any form of bullying, whether that be to a parent, player, team coach, referee or club representative. Bullying in any form, whether in person, electronically (any form of social media) will not be tolerated.
19. I will report serious rule infractions and problems to the MYSAs executive.
20. I realize that the team can be penalized for my behaviour. I will obey a request by a referee to stop the out of line behavior or even to leave the vicinity of the field.
21. I will make sure that any team or MYSAs equipment (including but not limited to jerseys) is returned at the end of the season.
22. I recognize that infractions of this code may result in disciplinary action and possible ban from coaching.

Please keep this code ~ Follow its Guidelines for the Whole Season