

Player's Code of Conduct

All players must observe the principles of fair play and respect all others involved in the game, including opponents, spectators and officials. Therefore, MYSA players should follow these conduct guidelines:

1. I will play soccer because I want to, not because others want me to.
2. I will play by the rules of soccer, and in the spirit of the game.
3. I will show respect at all times for all coaches, all referees, all players, all spectators, and all club officials.
4. I will control my temper. I will not fight or use foul or abusive language or inappropriate gestures.
5. I will be a team player. I will not point out my teammates mistakes; I know that isn't helpful. I will try to praise something a teammate did or let them know it's ok they made a mistake.
6. I know that winning isn't everything - having fun, playing fair, improving my skills, making friends and doing my best are all important.
7. I will acknowledge all good play - that of my teammates and of my opponents.
8. I will remember that I am a representative of my community, my team and MYSA and make sure my behavior is something we can all be proud of, whether we win or lose a game.
9. I understand that Coaches are there to coach and not to improve my behaviour. If I am found to be behaving badly, my coach is permitted to remove me from the event. Furthermore, the responsibility for my behaviour outside of team-sanctioned events is not that of team staff but is the responsibility of myself, and of my family or guardian.
10. I will never take part in a practice, game or team event while under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol.
11. I will not take part in any form of bullying, either to an opposing player or to a player on my team. Bullying in any form, whether in person, electronically (any form of social media) will not be tolerated.
12. I will arrive at the field before practices and games according to the standards set by my team Coach.
13. I will recognize that practices are important to the team's success and the building of my own skills. I will do my best to be at all practices.
14. If I cannot make a game or practice, I will notify the team manager/coach at least 48 hours in advance so that arrangements for substitutes can be made.
15. I will turn off all electronic devices (cell phones, video games, etc.) before arrival at my practice, game or team event and leave them off until I am finished.
16. I will leave all playing fields as neat and tidy as I found them and will remove all of my equipment and water bottles from the area.
17. I will take good care of my uniform and wear it only on game days.
18. I will ensure my jersey is tucked in at all times as required by the laws of the game.
19. I will wear shin guards, appropriate footwear, and bring my own water bottle to all games and practices.
20. I will return all team and MYSA equipment, including but not limited to uniforms, to my manager/coach by the end of the season.

If for any reason the Code of Conduct is not followed by the player, any of the following steps may be taken by the manager/coach or MYSA:

- Reduce the playing time of the player; and/or Suspend the player for some time period; Remove the player from the team.

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

To indicate that you have read and will follow this code, please sign the Code of Conduct form supplied by the team coach/manager.