

## **SYSA PARENT AND PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT AGREEMENT**

Parents, players and coaches are required to follow the association's code of conduct. **Players or parents** who violate these rules may be disciplined at the game (told to leave) and/or required to appear before the SYSA Judicial Board. Violations may result in a variety of consequences, including player suspension and parental bans. Coaches are responsible for their players and for controlling their sidelines. Disruptive parents who do not follow coaches instructions may cause the coach to be red-carded, the game forfeited, or the game abandoned by the referee.

### **Code of Conduct for Players**

1. Learn and observe the Law of Soccer and league rules.
2. Treat other players as you wish to be treated - do not abuse or ridicule other players, officials, coaches or spectators. Control your play and discipline yourself. Do not play wildly and jeopardize your safety or that of other players. Hold your temper and control your anger. Play clean and fair. Use your skill and talent. Don't cheat.
3. Listen to your coaches and accept their advice with respect.
4. Respect referees and linemen - do not question their decisions.
5. Give the ball promptly to your opponent for their throw-ins, free kicks, etc. Do not stall by withholding the ball or encroaching on free kicks.
6. Win with grace and lose with dignity. You, your club, and your association will be judged by your behavior.

### **Code of Conduct for Parents**

1. Always be supportive of your child, their teammates and coaches. Remember that every player on the team is a contributing player. Spread your encouragement equitably amongst the team.
2. Never badger the opposition or argue with their supporters. Be appreciative of good play from both sides.
3. Never harass or badger the referees and linemen.
4. After each match, have a positive attitude and show an appreciation for the importance of your child's effort. Remember that playing the game well is more important than winning.
5. Support the team and club by volunteering your services when needed. The only reason your child can play soccer is because of volunteers.

**We, the undersigned, have read, understand and agree to abide by the above guidelines. We agree to accept actions taken for failure to abide by these guidelines.**

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Signature of player

Date

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Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date