



COACHES CODE OF ETHICS AND CONDUCT

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- Be aware that you have a tremendous influence on the development of the player and, thus, never place the value of winning above the value of instilling the highest ideals of character.
- Uphold the honor and dignity of your station. Strive to set an example of the highest ethical and moral conduct.
- Master the contest rules and shall teach them to your players. Do not seek advantage by circumventing the spirit of the rules.
- Exert your influence to enhance the sportsmanship of players, parents, spectators, directly and by working with representatives of the club.
- Respect and support contest officials. Do not indulge in conduct which would incite players or spectators against the officials. Public criticism of officials or players is unethical.
- Meet and conduct cordial greetings with the opposing coach to set the correct tone for the event, before and after the contest.
- Follow the direction of the club Bylaws and league rules. Actively participate in the club coaching education program and continually strive to become a better coach and mentor for the players within the club.
- Promote the entire club and direct your team in harmony with the direction of the club.
- Be aware that the safety and well-being of your players is your first responsibility.
- Adhere to league and club requirements concerning CPR and/or First Aid certification.
- Be aware of any injuries or matters that may affect your players' performance. Rest players that may be at risk of injury.
- Advocate a healthy lifestyle that is appropriate to the players' development.
- Provide prompt communication with parents and players on all team and club matters. Give adequate notice. Good communication is the basis for good team harmony. Ensure that players attend training regularly and on time.
- Attend all pre-arranged club and league coaches meetings.
- Oversee the completion of assigned field lining and maintenance duties.
- Promote club functions and encourage volunteer participation.

I understand that any behavior that is found to be unethical or against the rules of the club or league are grounds for disciplinary action or removal from the coaching staff of the club.

Coaches Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Coaches Name: _____