



## **“Code of Conduct”**

My primary goal as a coach will be to develop a player's soccer ability, build confidence and nurture sportsmanship in both practice and on the game field. Winning is secondary.

Therefore...

- I pledge to play my part to make soccer fun and enjoyable for all involved.
  - I will be a positive influence through my actions and words in order that my team and all others participating in the game of soccer may have a positive experience.
  - I will at all times demonstrate good sportsmanship towards all players, coaches and officials at every game and practice. I will manage my team and their scoring in a manner that is positive and not humiliating to a team of lesser ability.
  - I will respect the referee and abide by the referee's decisions during the game, as well as refraining from criticizing officials in the presence of others. I will not incite players or spectators, or attempt to disrupt the flow of play, and will encourage spectators to refrain from demonstrating intimidating behavior towards officials or opposing teams.
  - I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my players ahead of my own personal desire to win; remembering that the game is for the players and not the adults.
  - I will maintain control of my sidelines and the conduct of the parents and spectators at all times. I will be sure all coaches, players and spectators stay within the designated areas and I will help keep the sidelines free of trash and animals.
  - I will make myself, or another team representative, available for field set up or clean up when my team has the first or last game of the day.
  - I will insist that my players partake in a safe and healthy environment; an environment that is free from drugs, alcohol and tobacco and will refrain from their use at all soccer games events and practices.
  - I will insist that all players, coaches, officials and spectators are treated with respect regardless of age, sex, race, creed or ability.
- I have read, understand and will adhere to the MYSL Rules and Regulations for Recreational Play.

**Name of Coach**

**Division & Age**

**Signature**

**Date**