

**Player Code of Conduct**

I hereby pledge to be positive about my youth sports experience and accept responsibility for my participation by following this Players Code of Conduct Pledge.

- I will play soccer because I want to, not because others want me to.
- I will remember that soccer is an opportunity to learn and have fun.
- I will encourage good sportsmanship from fellow players, coaches, officials and parents at all times.
- I will remember that winning isn't everything, that having fun, playing fair, improving my skills, making friends, and giving my best efforts are the most important aspects of youth soccer.
- I deserve to play in an environment that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol; and expect everyone to refrain from their use at all soccer games.
- I will do the best I can each day, remembering that all players have talents and weaknesses, the same as I do.
- I will treat my coaches, other players and coaches, and fans with respect at all times; regardless of race, sex, creed, or abilities, and I will expect to be treated accordingly.
- I will follow coaching direction and will not be disruptive during practice or games, nor will I use bad language.
- If I have a problem with something, I will discuss it with my coach at the earliest opportunity, rather than let it grow into a bigger problem later on.
- I will be on time for practices and games and will notify my coach if I cannot attend. I will make every effort to attend all games and practices.
- I will concentrate on playing soccer by always giving my best effort, both in practice and in games.
- I will respect my opponents, whether they have more or less ability than me and regardless of whether I win or lose.
- I will be modest and respectful when I win, and gracious when I lose.
- I will show respect for the authority of the referee, even though I may sometimes disagree with his or her calls.
- I will control my temper, resist the temptation to retaliate, and exercise self control.
- I will play by the rules at all times, and if I don't understand the rules, will attempt to learn them so I can become a better player.
- I will conduct myself with honor and dignity and treat other players as I would like to be treated.

**Violations of the code of conduct may result in, but are not limited to:**

- **Warning**
- **Suspension**
- **Expulsion**

**All suspensions and expulsions will be made at the BSA Board level.**

**BSA relies upon the support of volunteers; and in particular, volunteer coaches. Any anti-social behavior against coaches or other unpaid volunteers will result in immediate action.**

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**Player Signature**

**Date**

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**Parent/Guardian Signature**

**Date**