

Coaches Code of Conduct

- I pledge to place the emotional and physical well-being of my players and game officials ahead of any personal desire to win.
- I will remember that I am here for the benefit of the players, and their needs come before mine. I acknowledge that skill acquisition, technical development, and fostering a lifetime love of soccer are all more important than winning.
- I will be reasonable in my demands on players' time, energy, and enthusiasm. I understand that they have other interests and commitments.
- I will always strive to maximize the individual potential of each player and to provide an equal opportunity to all players while respecting each player's level of commitment.
- I will remember that I represent the Club at all times and will respect the decisions of the technical staff and executive board.
- I will respect players, parents, fans and game officials, and encourage each player and parent to support and respect the game officials.
- I will do my best to run fun, challenging practices, and to ensure that equipment and facilities are safe and appropriate for the players' age and abilities.
- I will ensure all activities organized are appropriate for the players' abilities, experience, age level, and maturity.
- I promise to review and practice the necessary first aid principles needed to assess and, where appropriate, treat injuries of my players.
- I will be clear with all players and parents of my expectations of them, and what they can expect from me.
- I will follow SDU's policies on Player Safety and Playing Time.
- I will provide opportunities for all players, assistant coaches and team staff to become knowledgeable in all rules and regulations pertaining to soccer league in which my team will be playing.
- I will not use inappropriate language at any time during practices and or games.
- I will demand a playing environment that is free from alcohol, tobacco and drugs.
- I will do my best to create and maintain an enjoyable atmosphere for players, game officials and parents. I understand that profanity or rude gestures have no place in youth sporting events.
- I will not condone bullying or harassment of any player, coach, or game official. I also commit to take the appropriate action to resolve the issue in a fair, consistent and timely manner.

- I acknowledge that the welfare of children and young people is and must always be the paramount consideration.
- I acknowledge that all persons and especially children and young people have a right to be protected from abuse regardless of their age, gender, disability, culture, language, racial origin, religious beliefs, income level, or sexual orientation.
- I understand that failure to comply with the above may result in temporary or permanent removal of my coaching privileges.