

Parent Code of Conduct

This code of conduct helps to ensure a positive and supportive environment for all participants in Soccer4Life, promoting not just athletic development but also sportsmanship and community values.

1. Introduction

At Soccer4Life, we are committed to fostering a positive and supportive environment for our young athletes. This Parent Code of Conduct outlines the expectations and responsibilities for parents to ensure a respectful and enjoyable experience for all participants, coaches, and families involved in our program.

2. General Conduct

2.1 Respectful Behavior

- ${ullet}$ Always demonstrate respect towards coaches, referees, players, and other parents.
- Refrain from using abusive, offensive, or inappropriate language or gestures.
- Support and encourage all players, regardless of skill level or team affiliation.

2.2 Positive Support

- Focus on the enjoyment and development of your child rather than winning at all costs.
- Applaud good play from both your child's team and their opponents.
- Emphasize effort, improvement, and teamwork over results.

2.3 Non-Interference

- Allow coaches to coach and referees to officiate without interference.
- Avoid entering the playing field or technical areas unless specifically invited.
- Refrain from coaching your child or other players during matches or training sessions.

3. Communication

3.1 Constructive Feedback

- · Provide constructive feedback to your child in a supportive manner.
- Address any concerns or questions to the coach or program officials in a private and respectful manner.

3.2 Respect for Program Decisions

- Respect and adhere to all decisions made by coaches and program officials regarding team selection, playing time, and other matters.
- Understand that such decisions are made in the best interest of the team and the development of all players.

3.3 Open Dialogue

- Maintain open lines of communication with the program regarding your child's development, health, and any relevant concerns.
- Inform coaches of any medical conditions, injuries, or personal circumstances that may affect your child's participation.

4. Attendance and Punctuality

4.1 Timeliness

- Ensure your child arrives on time for training sessions, matches, and team events.
- Collect your child promptly at the end of each activity.

4.2 Attendance Commitment

- Make every effort to ensure your child attends all scheduled activities.
- Notify the coach in advance if your child is unable to attend a session or match.

5. Sportsmanship and Fair Play

5.1 Role Model Behavior

- Model good sportsmanship and fair play for your child and other participants.
- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$ Encourage your child to respect their opponents, teammates, and officials.

5.2 Winning and Losing Gracefully

- Teach your child to win with humility and lose with dignity.
- ${\mbox{\footnote{heise}}}$ Avoid placing undue pressure on your child to perform or achieve specific outcomes.

6. Safety and Wellbeing

6.1 Health and Safety

- Ensure your child is in good health and has the appropriate gear and equipment for participation.
- Inform the coach of any medical conditions or special requirements.

6.2 Encouraging a Safe Environment

- Promote a safe and supportive environment free from bullying, harassment, and discrimination.
- Report any safety concerns or incidents to program officials immediately.

7. Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drug-Free Environment

7.1 Substance Use Policy

- Refrain from consuming alcohol, tobacco, or illegal drugs at all Soccer4Life events.
- Support a healthy and drug-free environment for all participants.

8. Social Media and Public Representation

8.1 Responsible Use

- Use social media responsibly and avoid posting negative or inflammatory comments about the program, coaches, players, or officials.
- Respect the privacy and dignity of all participants by avoiding sharing sensitive or inappropriate content.

8.2 Promoting Positivity

- Promote the positive aspects of the program and share your support for the values of Soccer4Life.
- Highlight the achievements and efforts of all participants in a positive light.

9. Compliance and Consequences

9.1 Adherence to Code

- Understand that adherence to this code is mandatory for all parents and guardians involved in Soccer4Life.
- Acknowledge that failure to comply with this code may result in disciplinary action, including but not limited to warnings, suspension of privileges, or removal from the program.

9.2 Dispute Resolution

- Address any disputes or grievances through the appropriate channels as outlined by the program.
- Work collaboratively with program officials to resolve issues in a fair and respectful manner.

10. Acknowledgment

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read, understood, and agree to abide by the Soccer4Life Parent Code of Conduct. I recognize the importance of my role in supporting my child and contributing to a positive and respectful sporting environment.

Parent/Guardian Name:	
Signature:	
Date:	

For any questions or clarifications regarding this Parent Code of Conduct, please contact Soccer4Life at (251) 458-2664.