



Weatherford Soccer Association

Parental Code of Conduct

Adopted from NTSSA

Please read and then print and sign name on back.

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- (a) Children have more need of encouragement than criticism. Attempt to relieve the pressure of the competition, not increase it. A child is easily affected by outside influences.
- (b) Be kind to your child's coach and the officials. The coach is a volunteer, giving personal time and money to provide a recreational activity for your child.
- (c) The opponents are necessary friends; without them your child could not participate.
- (d) Applaud good plays by your team and by members of the opposing team.
- (e) Do not publicly question an official's judgment and honesty. Officials are symbols of fair play, integrity, and sportsmanship.
- (f) I acknowledge the TOTAL authority of referees in any of the soccer matches I participate in. I pledge that I will never interfere with their carrying out of their duties; before, during, or after a match.
- (g) Do not openly question an official's judgment and honesty. Officials are symbols of fair play, integrity, and sportsmanship.
- (h) Your Team's Coach is responsible for your behavior on the sidelines. Be Respectful! A Referee can send-off your Coach due to your behavior.
- (i) I understand that any criticism of WSA referees, other Coaches, and Board Members should be limited to constructive criticism using outlined WSA procedures.
- (j) I will always strive to conduct myself in the highest ethical and moral manner possible. Refrain from arguments or name-calling with all referees, coaches and/or spectators.
- (k) **There is NO unauthorized entry onto field of play during game** - A parent, guardian, or spectator who enters the field of play without authorization may be subject to immediate ejection from the premises at the discretion of the referee or a WSA-designated official. Noncompliance with an ejection order may result in match suspension, termination, or referral to the WSA Appeals and Disciplinary Committee.
- (l) An Association Board Member can require you leave the field for your behavior.
- (m) Should I be asked to leave the field by an Association Board Member (Home or Away) due to my behavior, I agree to leave.
- (n) Accept the results of each game. Encourage your child to be gracious in victory, and to turn defeat into victory by working towards improvement.
- (o) Remember your child is involved in organized sports for their enjoyment, NOT YOURS!
- (p) Encourage your child to always play by the rules.
- (q) Remember that your child learns by example. Children mimic what their parents say. Criticism of the coach, officials, teammates, and/or opponents fosters bad attitudes and can only lead to a negative experience for your child.
- (r) Parents should remember that a coach has an entire team of players to consider when making decisions regarding position, playing time, substitutions, and strategy. The team does not revolve around one player.
- (s) Foul language is NOT tolerated WSA. You may be required to leave if foul language is continually used.
- (t) Bullying between players is NOT tolerated by WSA.
- (u) If your player receives a Yellow Card during a game, it is up to the Coach how to proceed.
- (v) If your player receives a Red Card during a game, the player will be required sit out the remainder of that game as well as dressout, attend, and sit out the following game. A sit-out verification form must



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be signed by the Center Referee. This is to demonstrate support for their Team. The player will not be allowed to play until they attend a game and sit-out.

Parent Name (print): _____

Player Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____