

COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT

SAC HC coaches are the "face" of the organization to our parents, players and referees.

Thus, each coach is expected to maintain a high level of integrity and professionalism both on and off the field. A SAC HC coach's primary responsibility is to develop soccer players and to instill a passion for the game in our players. Thus, our coach's performance is not measured in wins and losses but in what he/she teaches the players in terms of technique, sportsmanship and fair play.

All SAC HC coaches are expected to have a basic knowledge of the game and to pursue training that will allow them to better develop our players. They are also expected to recognize that the game is for the players.

Given these expectations, SAC HC requires its coaches to adhere to the following Code of Conduct:

- Positive reinforcement will always be the foundation of our coaching technique.
- The coach, in his/her leadership role, must exhibit good sportsmanship both on and off the field and should teach his/her players and spectators (i.e. generally parents) the rule of fair play and proper match behavior.
- The coach should always exhibit proper behavior while interacting with players at practice or in a match. The use of foul or abusive language is prohibited.
- The coach will not abuse a player mentally, verbally or physically.
- The coach will not deliberately instruct any player to harm an opposing player or support, in any fashion, deliberate fouls causing bodily harm to an opposing player.
- Respect of the referee's authority will be practiced at all times. The coach will not verbally abuse or harass the referee or enter the field of play without the referee's permission. The coach should admonish player and spectator abuse of the referee. Players and spectators on the sideline will be instructed by the coach never to enter the field of play during a game.
- The coach will not use alcohol or tobacco during practices or match play. The coach will not engage in any conduct that is prejudicial to or reflects discredit upon SAC HC.

Signature _____ Date _____