



Players Code of Conduct

Policy 02

PURPOSE

This Code of Conduct has been developed to clarify and define standards of ethical and moral behavior from players affiliated with the Alexandria Area Soccer Association (AASA).

RESPONSIBILITIES OF AASA PLAYERS

1. Players shall place the safety and welfare of teammates and opponents above the value of winning.
2. Players shall understand how to play within the Laws of the Game and within the spirit of the game at all times.
3. Players shall encourage and condone appropriate behavior from teammates in any situation.

RESPONSIBILITIES TO TEAM

1. Players are expected to attend all practices/training sessions, cluster games as well as tournaments (usually scheduled Friday to Sunday).
2. If a player is not able to attend team events (practices/training sessions, cluster games or tournaments) they need to notify their teams coaching staff in advance.
 - a. Missing a team event may affect their playing time in upcoming cluster games or tournaments.
 - b. Amount of playing time player may miss is up to the discretion of the team coach and/or Director of Coaching Staff.

RESPONSIBILITIES TO OPPONENTS

1. Players shall afford to opponents (including coaches and supporters) the respect expected by the Laws of the Game and the spirit of competition.
2. Players and Coaches shall engage in fair-play without the intent of causing injury to an opponent.
3. Players shall not engage in any physical or verbal confrontation with any opposing player, coach, or supporter.

RESPONSIBILITIES TO THE GAME

1. Players shall be aware of the Laws of the Game and shall adhere to the letter and spirit of the Laws of the Game.
2. Players shall be responsible for understanding the meaning and application of the Laws of the Game.
3. Players shall share in the responsibilities of team leadership and shall be accountable for the conduct of their teammates.



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RESPONSIBILITIES TO OFFICIALS

1. Players shall extend respect and courtesy to match and competition officials.
2. Players shall not incite teammates, coaches or spectators into conduct towards officials that is contrary to the Laws of the Game.

RESPONSIBILITIES TO MYSA/USYS/US CLUB SOCCER AND MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

1. Players shall comply with the rules, policies and procedures established by MYSA/USYS/US Club Soccer and the applicable Member Organization.
2. Players shall become aware of the rules, policies and procedures of MYSA/USYS/US Club Soccer and the applicable Member Organization regarding player and team eligibility, team formation, and recruiting.
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4. Players shall refer disputes, appeals and disciplinary reports to proper authorities as designed by MYSA/USYS/US Club Soccer and the applicable Member Organization.

I understand that improper behavior at a match, practice or other AASA sponsored activity may result in the following disciplinary action to the player:

- A. First Offense – Suspension for next practice and/or game
- B. Second Offense – Suspension for 1 week, AASA Director of Coaching will hold players pass for week to ensure full suspension is served. Before player can participate with team the player(s), parents, team coaching staff as well as AASA Director of Coaching Staff will have a meeting to develop a plan to prevent further violations.
- C. Third Offense – Indefinite suspension, players coach and/or AASA Director of Coaching Staff will make the decision as to when the player will be permitted to resume activities with AASA. AASA Director of Coaching Staff will hold players pass for week to ensure full suspension is served.

Player Signature

Date

Player Printed Name