

COACHES' CODE OF CONDUCT

As a coach in the TCYSA soccer program, I realize that I am responsible for the emotional, physical and skill growth of each player through his/her participation in soccer.

With regard to players on my team:

1. I will endeavor to learn more about the game of soccer.
2. I will learn the laws of the game and the specific laws for my team's age group.
3. I will strive to be a good instructor and a positive role model for my players.
4. I will teach my players to understand and play within the letter and spirit of the laws of the game.
5. I will always put winning in its proper perspective; we win when we do our best no matter what the score is.

With regard to opposing teams:

1. I will endeavor to make my team a positive role model.
2. I will not coach, nor allow my players to play, with intent to cause injury to opposing players.
3. Players, spectators and I will not display hostile behavior toward players on, and supporters of, the opposing team.
4. I will applaud good play by players on my team and the opposing team.
5. I will emphasize winning without boasting and losing without bitterness.

With regard to referees:

1. I recognize that the referee is responsible for the application of the laws of the game and the exercise of judgment.
2. I believe that referees, just as coaches and players, do their best to be impartial.
3. I will instill in my players and spectators a respect for all referees.
4. My players, spectators and I will never address a referee before, during or after a game in a demeaning fashion.

With regard to my parents and spectators:

1. I will instruct my parents in the appropriate manner in which to demonstrate good sportsmanship.
2. I will ask that they not instruct players unless asked to be part of the coaching staff.
3. I will involve parents whenever I can.
4. I will instill respectful behavior from my parents by being what I want them to be.