



Middleton United Soccer Club Code of Conduct

The Middleton United Soccer Club wants to ensure that the conduct of players, parents, coaches, and spectators during games at all levels are fair, positive, and enjoyable experiences for all involved. A soccer game should be a bonding experience - a fun, spirited social and athletic occasion for all of our participants and spectators.

All members are expected to show the utmost respect to referees at all times and abide by MAYSA's Zero Tolerance Policy regarding abuse towards referees. Members need not agree with the decisions of referees but are fully expected to accept and abide by the decisions.

We are committed to maintaining a safe, respectful, and inclusive environment for all individuals. Bullying, harassment, discrimination, or any behavior that undermines the dignity or well-being of others will not be tolerated under any circumstances. All individuals are expected to treat one another with courtesy, professionalism, and respect.

Parents, Guardians and Spectators

1. Teach players that doing one's best is more important than winning and be supportive no matter the outcome of the game.
2. Encourage players to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
3. Never yell or ridicule players for making a mistake or losing a game, rather praise/cheer for trying hard and competing fairly, and refrain from booing opponents.
4. Respect and appreciate the volunteer coaches who donate their time, and in doing so, do not coach from the sidelines.
5. Show respect for my team's opponents, and not use profanity or harass them, other spectators, coaches, or officials.
6. Demand a sports environment that is free from profanity, drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all sports events.

Players

Each player is responsible for their words and actions on the field before, during and after games and practices.

1. Display a strong spirit of cooperation, a positive attitude, and good sportsmanship.

2. Never use profane language, taunt opponents or attempt to injure an opponent in any manner.
3. Remember that soccer is a game to be enjoyed, and that I respect and represent my club both on and off the field.

I have read and understand the above statements. I agree to conduct myself in a way that demonstrates the standards established in this Code of Conduct. I understand that if I fail to follow these guidelines, the disciplinary procedures could include:

- Verbal warning by official, coach, and/or head of league organization
- Written warning by official, coach, and/or head of league organization
- Parental game suspension with written documentation of incident kept on file by organizations involved
- Game forfeit through the official or coach
- Player suspension/expulsion from the club

Parent's Signature

Date: