

## Player/Parent/Coach Code of Conduct

## **PLAYERS:**

- 1. Exhibit sportsmanship on and off the field by showing self-control, respecting opponents, and accepting game outcomes graciously.
- 2. Treat teammates, coaches, officials, and fans with respect. Profanity, insults, or abusive behavior will not be tolerated.
- 3. Accept officials' decisions without arguing, making gestures, or using inappropriate language.
- 4. Commit to skill development and practice as appropriate for your age and competitive level.
- 5. Represent Alabama Rush Soccer positively at all times, both at home and away games.
- 6. Understand the rules of the game and treat participation as a learning experience.
- 7. Notify coaches or team managers promptly of absences from games, practices, or training.
- 8. Violence, abuse, and the use of alcohol, illegal drugs, or tobacco are strictly prohibited.
- 9. Maintain academic and personal performance sufficient to support your commitment to team activities.
- 10. Attend practices, games, and tournaments on time with the necessary gear.

## PARENTS:

- 1. Model positive sportsmanship and remind others to do the same when emotions run high.
- 2. Support your child unconditionally, focusing on effort and enjoyment rather than performance or results.
- 3. Leave coaching to the coaches.
- 4. Prioritize skill development over winning and help your child practice at home.
- 5. Interact respectfully with opposing team parents and set a good example for players.
- 6. Foster a welcoming environment for all team families and avoid gossip or criticism.
- 7. Support officials and leave any concerns to the coach.
- 8. Volunteer for team activities, tournaments, and fundraisers to support the club.
- 9. Review schedules in advance and notify the coach promptly of any conflicts.
- 10. Encourage your child to enjoy the game, their teammates, and the competition.



## **COACHES:**

- 1. Prioritize players' enjoyment and development over winning.
- 2. Provide constructive feedback and avoid negative ridicule or yelling.
- 3. Be reasonable in your demands on players' time and energy, recognizing sports are only part of their lives.
- 4. Operate within the rules and spirit of the game, and teach players to do the same.
- 5. Ensure all players have a positive experience and equal opportunities.
- 6. Avoid overplaying more skilled players; focus on team development.
- 7. Use safe and age-appropriate equipment.
- 8. Display professionalism and respect toward players, parents, officials, opponents, and spectators.
- 9. Prioritize player safety and follow medical advice regarding injuries.
- 10. Stay updated on coaching practices and child development principles.
- 11. Respect all participants regardless of gender, ability, cultural background, or religion.
- 12. Be punctual and prepared for practices, games, tournaments, and meetings.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read and understand the Code of Conduct. I agree to abide by these guidelines at all team and league activities.

I understand that failure to adhere to this Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action by the club.

Player	Signature		Date:
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