

DC Soccer Club Player Code of Conduct

Recreation and Programs

- 1. I will consistently strive to adhere to the highest standards of sportsmanship.
- 2. I will engage in play with the intention of having fun and adhering to fairness at all times, while also striving to give my best effort.
- 3. I will obey the rules of the game and not resort to any violence or foul and abusive language or conduct due to disagreements.
- 4. I will respect my coaches, officials, staff and volunteers of the DC Soccer Club, parents, and all players regardless of race, ethnicity, religion, gender, sexual orientation, physical limitations, or athletic ability.
- 5. I will ONLY use kind words and gestures. Talking back to coaches or any official is not an acceptable behavior. I will not use profanity or make comments that demean another person based on that person's race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, physical limitations, or athletic ability.
- 6. I will respect my opponents on and off of the field.
- 7. I will work for the good of my team and the club.
- 8. I will respect the decisions of game officials and coaches though I may not always agree with the decisions.
- 9. When victorious, I commit to displaying generosity, and in defeat, I pledge to exhibit grace.
- 10. Regardless of the game's outcome, I will endeavor to express gratitude towards the opposing team, their coaching staff, and the match officials at the conclusion of the match.
- 11. I will not use or promote the use of alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or firearms at any DC Soccer Club sponsored event.
- 12. I will follow all of the directions of my coach and follow safety policies in place.

I understand that a violation of this code of conduct can result in disciplinary action against me, including suspension of play, removal from a team roster, and expulsion from DC Soccer Club. I understand that failure to abide by this code of conduct can result in ejection from the field of play, suspension for one or more games, and other disciplinary action imposed by the DC Soccer Club Board of Directors.