



Coach Code of Conduct

- ✓ Be reasonable in your demands on young players' time, energy and enthusiasm.
- ✓ Teach your players that rules of the game are mutual agreements which no one should evade or break.
- ✓ Whenever possible group players according to age, height, skills and physical maturity.
- ✓ Avoid over – playing the talented players. The “just average” players need and deserve equal time.
- ✓ Remember that children play for fun and enjoyment and that winning is not the only part of their motivation. Never ridicule or yell at children for making mistakes or losing a competition.
- ✓ Ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of the players.
- ✓ The scheduling and length of practice times and competition should take into consideration the maturity and concentration levels of the children.
- ✓ Develop team respect for the ability of opponents as well as for the judgement of officials and opposing coaches.
- ✓ Follow the advice of a physician when determining when an injured player is ready to recommence play.
- ✓ Make a personal commitment to keep yourself informed of sound coaching principles and the principles of growth and development of children.