



EAST SACRAMENTO YOUTH SOCCER CLUB
CODE OF CONDUCT

“PUTTING KIDS FIRST”

The **East Sacramento Youth Soccer Club** is about and for our children, with the goal of providing soccer in a fun and productive environment. Remember, the behavior of our parents, spectators, players, and coaches is a reflection of our Club and the East Sacramento community. To that end, parents will abide by the following codes of conduct:

I AGREE TO:

- 1) Set an example of honor, dignity, and good sportsmanship at all times.
- 2) Encourage players to obey the Laws of the Game and participate in fair play.
- 3) Show respect for the opposing team, without whom there would be no game.
- 4) Be gracious when my child’s team wins; be graceful when my child’s team loses.
- 5) Emphasize fun, effort and improvement.
- 6) Attempt to relieve competitive pressure, not increase it.
- 7) Recognize the value and importance of coaches, who volunteer significant time and effort for the benefit of the players.
- 8) Respect the judgment and strategy of the coach.
- 9) Refrain from giving instructions from the touchline during matches or training. That’s the coach’s job.
- 10) Respect the integrity and authority of referees, *especially* youth referees.
- 11) Refrain from talking to the referee or publicly questioning a referee’s decision.
- 12) Refrain from talking to the opposing players, coaches, or parents, except to deliver a compliment.
- 13) Refrain from smoking or drinking alcohol in the vicinity of the field.
- 14) Relax and enjoy the game whether my child's team is winning or not.

Parents, please remember that the game belongs to the players. *The spectators are guests.* When your child’s coach is dismissed by the referee—for *your* behavior—**THE GAME ENDS FOR EVERYONE.**

I understand that failure to abide by this code of conduct may result in my dismissal from the game, from the field, or from the Club.

Player Name: _____

Birth Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____