



# Bulverde Youth Soccer Club

## Sideline Behavior Policy

*“Respect the Game. Respect the Kids. Respect the Ref.”*

### Our Goal






We are here to create a **fun, safe, and positive environment** for all players, coaches, and referees—especially our **youth referees** who are learning just like the players.

### What We EXPECT from Parents & Spectators

- Cheer **for ALL players**, not just your own
- Keep comments **positive and encouraging**
- Respect **coaches, referees, and opponents**
- Allow coaches to coach and referees to officiate
- Help model **good sportsmanship** for the kids

👉 If you wouldn't say it to your child, don't say it from the sideline.

### What is NOT Allowed

-  Yelling at or arguing with referees
-  Coaching from the sideline (“Shoot it!”, “Pass it!”, etc.)
-  Negative comments toward players, coaches, or other parents
-  Threatening, intimidating, or aggressive behavior
-  Entering the field or confronting officials

## **Zero Tolerance: Referee Abuse (STYSA / U.S. Soccer)**

**Abuse of referees will NOT be tolerated.**






This includes:

- Verbal attacks or harassment
- Threats or intimidation
- ANY physical contact

👉 Many of our referees are **kids**. Treat them accordingly.

## **Consequences**

Violations may result in:

-  Verbal warning
-  Removal from the field
-  Suspension from future games
-  Report to league (STYSA) for discipline
-  Possible law enforcement involvement (for serious incidents)

## **Remember**

- The game is **for the kids—not the adults**
- Mistakes are part of learning—for players AND referees
- Your behavior sets the tone for every player on the field
- **THIS IS NOT THE WORLD CUP**

## **Sideline Mantra**

**“Cheer loud. Stay positive. Let them play.”**

## **Thank You**

Thank you for helping us build a **respectful, fun, and safe soccer community** for all our players.