

## Parents, Players, Coaches and Spectators Code of Conduct

(Adopted June, 2010. \*Updated December, 2017)

ROXBOROUGH UNITED Soccer Club requires the highest standard of behavior at all times from its officials, players, non playing members including the parents & guardians, spectators and anyone else wishing to associate themselves with the club.

To help achieve that standard, Roxborough United Soccer Club (RUSC) has identified the following, which constitutes the club code of conduct. Disregard of this code may lead to discipline, fines, suspension or expulsion of membership from RUSC.

## Parents

I (and my guests) will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the league.

I (and my guests) will respect the rights, dignity of everyone regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.

I (and my guests) will refrain from coaching during games and practices, unless asked by the coaches.

I (and my guests) will trust that referees, just as coaches and players, are attempting to do their best.

I (and my guests) will be mindful that referees are trained in the rules of soccer and often make "objective" judgment calls.

I (and my guests) will respect the referees and their authority and will never question or dispute a call.

I (and my guests) will adhere to any directions given by a referee or coach.

I (and my guests) will not use offensive, abusive or insulting language or threaten violence towards anyone.

I (and my guests) will be a positive role model and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy.

I (and my guests) will applaud good performance and efforts from all individuals and teams.

I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct such as booing, taunting.

I will never discuss, question or confront the coaches during games or practices. I will address any issues in the proper venue and time in a respectful and controlled manner at an agreed upon time and place.

I will never ridicule or yell at my child for making a mistake or losing a competition.

I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard, and that doing one's best is more important than winning.

I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.

I will send my child ready to play. My child will be dressed properly and will arrive on time.

I will report all injuries, special medical conditions (asthma) or extenuating circumstances that may affect the player.

I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.

## Players

I will learn and adhere to the rules of the game and the policies of the league.

I will attend practices and games and listen and learn. If I must miss a practice or game, I will notify my coach.

I will understand that my attitude can influence other players, coaches and spectators.

I will support the referees, coaches, teammates, opponents and parents with treat them with respect.

I will trust that the referees, coaches and players, are attempting to do their best.

I will not be critical of the referees, coaches, teammates, and opponents.

I will display self control and shall not use profanity or approach any player, coach or referee in a threatening manner.

I will exhibit good sportsmanship, be gracious in defeat and modest in victory.

I will always shake hands properly with the opposing players at the conclusion of each game.

## I AGREE TO ABIDE BY Roxborough United Soccer Club CODE OF CONDUCT, if you fail to abide by the aforementioned rules and guidelines, the parent/guardian/player will be subject to disciplinary action that could include, but is not limited to the following:

- 1) Verbal or Written warning.
- 2) Parents/players involved in any incidents resulting in fines are responsible for paying all fines plus late fees the club accrues due to any incidents.\*
- 3) Game(s) suspension with written documentation of incident.
- 4) Season suspension.

| PARENT/GUARDIAN |      | PLAYER NAME |      |
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RUSC Parents and Guardians sign for themselves as well as their child(ren)