

VALPO SOCCER CLUB **COACHES POLICY ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

1. Head Coaches, Assistant Coaches, and Managers are all Coaches for the Purposes of this Code of Conduct.
2. I understand and Agree to abide by the requirements, and spirit, of the following Policies:

A. TIMES TWO POLICY

- I understand that Valpo Soccer Club has implemented a 'Times Two Policy' requiring that no less than two adults (age 21 or over), per team, be present at all team functions such as games, practices, picnics, carpooling, etc... A second adult can be a non-participating person, but they must remain present for the entirety of the team function unless another person arrives and relieves them. If there are not two adults, the team event cannot proceed.
- I understand that there are NO EXCEPTIONS to this policy.
- I understand that I have a duty to report any confirmed, alleged, or suspected violation of the policy to the VSC Vice President as soon as possible.
- I understand that I have a duty to self-report any instance where I did, or suspect I did, have unsupervised one on one contact with any child / minor participant of VSC to the VSC Vice President as soon as possible.
- I will encourage persons having concerns over any potential violation of this policy to report them directly, or at a minimum confidentially, to the VSC Vice President.
- In the event that I have a question concerning this policy, I will raise those questions directly with the VSC Vice President.

B. CONCUSSION CLASS CERTIFICATION POLICY

- I understand I am required to complete a FREE online concussion training program and renew my certification every three (3) years from either the National Federation of State High School Associations Concussion in Sports – What You Need to Know, which can be found at or the Center for Disease Control and their Prevention Heads Up Concussion in Youth Sports Online training program.
- I understand that I must provide a copy of the certification received upon completing the program to the VSC Director of Coaching **AND** carry a copy of the same with the game cards and have it available for inspection at any game or competition by the game officials.
- I understand that I must provide a copy of the certificate received to the VSC Director of Coaching prior to any team activity.

C. CONCUSSION AWARENESS POLICY

- ANY athlete exhibiting signs and symptoms of concussion either during a practice or during a game:
 - MUST be immediately removed; and
 - MAY NOT return to play nor participate in any SAY activity on the same day (even if a written medical clearance is provided); and
 - MUST BE assessed and received written clearance (on a Return-to-Play form) by a physician or by another licensed health care provider which is

submitted to the coach allowing the athlete to participate in any activity with the athlete's team, whether it be a practice or a game situation.

- ANY situation of a suspected concussion must be reported to the VSC Vice President as soon as possible, but in no situation beyond 24 hours of becoming aware of the suspected concussion.

D. GAME REPORTING / ISSUES

- **CONCUSSIONS / MAJOR INJURY (Even to Spectator)**
 - Report as soon as practical to VSC Vice President (Call Cell Phone)
- **BLOWOUTS, MAJOR INCIDENT WITH PLAYER, GAME OFFICIAL, AND/OR PARENT**
 - Report Same Day what happened with details by e-mail.
- **YELLOW / RED CARDS (for either team) OR SIDELINE WARNING FOR SPECTATOR BEHAVIOR**
 - Report Same Day what happened with details by e-mail
- **REPORTING OF SCORES**
 - Post Scores to appropriate website within 48 hours.
- **GAME SHEETS**
 - Forward a scanned copy by e-mail.
- **REFEREE EVALUATIONS**
 - Forward a scanned copy by e-mail.
- **FIELD PROBLEMS**
 - If at a VSC site – notify VSC Field and Equipment Officer as soon as possible.
 - If at an away site – notify VSC Vice President as soon as possible.

I agree to promote and support, and encourage all others to comply with, the foregoing policies.

Signature

Teams Coached

Printed Name

Date