



**ROSE TREE SOCCER CLUB
COACH, VOLUNTEER AND PARENT
CODE OF CONDUCT**

As a coach, volunteer and/or parent with a child involved in a soccer program sponsored by Rose Tree Soccer Club (the “Club”), and as a condition to my child or my participation in the Club, I agree to the following:

Parents, Volunteers:

1. I will not force my child to be a participant.
2. I will remember that the children participate to have fun and the game is for them.
3. I (and my guests) will encourage good sportsmanship by showing respect, courtesy and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators.
4. I (and my guests) will not engage in unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent including, but not limited to: booing, taunting, or using profane language or gestures.
5. I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well-being of the athletes.
6. I will encourage my child to treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color or ability.
7. I acknowledge that encouraging children to have fun and to learn the game is more important than winning.
8. I will respect the officials and coaches and their authority during games, including a request to leave the field. I will not question or confront them at the field, and I will notify Club representatives if I have a problem with a coach, official or other parent.
9. I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practice unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.

Coaches:

1. I will abide by the Code of Conduct applicable to parents, volunteers, as stated above.
2. I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the Club.

3. I will pursue coaching education and obtain the US Soccer coaching licenses required by the Club. I will teach the game using RTSC sanctioned methodologies for player development.
4. I will emphasize skill development over winning.
5. I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the emotional and physical health and well-being of the athletes, and I will notify the Club of any injury or incident where a child is seriously injured.
6. I will teach the players to play by the laws of the game and to resolve conflicts without resorting to name calling, taunting, hostility or violence.
7. I will respect the officials and other coaches and their authority during games. I will not question or confront them at the field. Instead, I will speak with them at an appropriate and agreed upon time and place, or contact one of the Club's board members or the Club's designated representative to address any problems I may have with a coach, an official, a player, or a parent.

PARENTS, VOLUNTEERS AND COACHES:

I further agree that any alleged violation of these rules may result in my being asked to leave the field upon the request of an official or the Club's designated representative present at the field, and following any such dismissal from the field or a report of an alleged violation, the Club, through its Board or designated representative may, at its sole discretion, investigate the alleged violation; if it is determined that I have violated this Code of Conduct, the Club, at its sole discretion, may remove me as a participant or spectator and/or suspend me from attending games for the remainder of a season or a portion thereof. In the event of a second violation of the Code of Conduct, the Club at its sole discretion may revoke future participation in any Club program both for the violator and the immediate family members of that individual.