

Farmington Soccer Club

Parent/Player Code of Conduct

Purpose of this Policy

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that the principles of sportsmanship, fair-play, and mutual respect is maintained amongst all participants of the Farmington Soccer Club, including its referees, players, parents, and coaches. Negative criticism or abuse of any kind towards referees, players, coaches, and spectators is not in keeping with maintaining the positive and safe environment for our participants that the Farmington Soccer Club looks to uphold.

It is even more imperative that our players and youth referees are allowed to develop in the most constructive environment possible. Just as players make mistakes during play, referees will make mistakes in officiating. Any concerns about the quality of officiating of any referee must ONLY be addressed to the Referee Assignor or the Farmington Soccer Club Board of Directors.

The Farmington Soccer Club will not tolerate any verbal or other abuse, or criticism of its referees or players.

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The standards in this code are not meant to be limited and should be adhered to at all times.

- Maintain a positive attitude that reflects the principles of sportsmanship, fair-play, and mutual respect toward referees, players, parents, and coaches;
- Encourage the definition of success by measuring skill development in ways other than wins and losses;
- Allow and trust the referees and coach(es) to perform their duties without hindrance from relatives or guests;
- Always work to support the safety and welfare of all participants;
- Comply with the rules, policies, and procedures of the team, club, league, MSYSA, USSF, and FIFA.

The parent/player should be aware that behavior contrary to the spirit and intent of this code may require the referee to STOP play and enforce the Laws of the Game and the rules and policies of the Farmington Soccer Club and/or league.

At the discretion of the center referee, a warning may be given, **but is not required**, for a first time violation of this policy. The center referee who witnesses any abuse of a player, coach, or spectator, and/or becomes the object of abuse, may request the coach remove the offending party from the premises. The Police may be called for anyone who refuses to leave the premises or the game may be abandoned. Further disciplinary action by the Farmington Soccer Club may also result.

Policy Acceptance

By participating in the Farmington Soccer Club, we understand and agree that the failure to abide by the aforementioned rules and policy may result in disciplinary action against the coach, player, parent, or possibly the team itself.

It is further understood and agreed that the club reserves the right to impose disciplinary action upon me, and/or my child, for any violations brought before the Farmington Soccer Club Board of Directors.

As a parent or guardian, I accept responsibility for assuring that I, my child, and any of our guests or spectators, understand and will conform to this policy.

Team Name

Soccer Year/Season

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Signature of Player