



PLAYER/PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

PLAYER NAME: _____

TEAM: _____

SEASON: _____

PLAYERS

- Players will not use profanity or racial remarks during any AC Sandhills activity.
- Players will not engage in disparaging dialogue with referees, teammates, coaches, opponents, or spectators.
- Players will not, under any circumstances, participate in physical violence or threats of physical violence before, during, or after any game or practice.
- Players will not use alcohol or illegal drugs at any time while on the active roster of any AC Sandhills team.
- Players will obey the laws of the game and play within the spirit of the laws.
- Players must wear shin-guards in training and in matches.
- Female players may not change jerseys on the field or practice in sports bras only. They must use the restroom facilities.

PARENTS

- Parents agree to support AC Sandhills and their team in requiring players to abide by the Player's Code of Conduct.
- Parents will not use or possess alcohol, illegal drugs, or weapons while attending any AC Sandhills activities.
- Parents will not, under any circumstance, shout abusively or negatively at their child or any other child. Abusive verbal behavior by parents will not be tolerated. Violators may be asked to leave the venue and may be sanctioned by the club.
- Verbal or physical abuse of any coach, referee, player, or other parent will not be tolerated and violators may be sanctioned by the North Carolina Youth Soccer Association (NCYSA), the applicable league, and/or AC Sandhills.
- Parents will not coach their child or any other child from the sideline during the game. Parents are asked to make only positive comments to the players. We ask that instructional input during games is provided only by coaches and not parents. Remember that soccer is a game played by the players and "the game" is the best teacher. ~
- Parents will not use obscenities during AC Sandhills activities. Violators may be asked to leave the venue and may be sanctioned by the club.
- Parents will not publicly question or confront coaches with concerns on player and team management. They need to ask the coach for a good time to talk to air concerns.
- Any team or player issue will be addressed by staff within 48 hours.
- Parents are collectively responsible for the behavior of all their team's spectators in accordance with the code outlined above.
- Parents are not to come to the team sideline before, during or after game, unless

instructed by ACS staff coach.

- Parents are not to enter the field of play under any circumstances unless instructed by ACS staff coach.

PARENTS AND PLAYERS

- It is understood that as a member of AC Sandhills travel program, each player and parent are representatives of AC Sandhills and will behave in a way that reflects a positive image at all AC Sandhills activities.
- Any player, coach or spectator who encourages a team, or individual members of a team, to intentionally injure or physically abuse a member of their team to another team is guilty of a serious breach of the AC Sandhills Code of Conduct and may be sanctioned. Further, the NCYSA Referee Assault/Abuse Policy states that any spectator who verbally abuses or assaults a referee shall be sanctioned by the NCYSA, US Club Soccer and/or AC Sandhills.
- All parent and players are to understand that in the AC Sandhills Travel Soccer Program, there is **NO GUARANTEE OF PLAYING TIME**. It is in the philosophy of the club that we will give every player a chance to continually prove themselves in training, practice and games. But by committing to an AC Sandhills Travel Team financially, it **DOES NOT** empower players and/or parents to hold accountable any coach, trainer or the club representative of playing time issues that might arise.
- All participants are to be supportive of the travel coaches and to allow them to instruct and teach the players. Parental feedback regarding the travel coaches is expected to be conveyed in a positive manner and should be discussed with the Coach and/or the Director of Coaching.
- AC Sandhills strives to create the best environment possible for the players to be the best players they can be. Any issue which arises that warrants the attention of AC Sandhills, should be reported *immediately* to the Coach or the Director of Coaching. Do not delay until the end of the season.
- There will be no recriminations by AC Sandhills or its staff against the player when and if a parent brings an issue to the attention of the Coach or the Director of Coaching.
- By signing this Code of Conduct, I acknowledge that I have read and understand the requirements of this Code of Conduct and further understand and agree that if any of these rules are violated, my privileges to attend any AC Sandhills games or activities, as a spectator or player, can be suspended.

Player Name: _____ **DATE:** _____

Player Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

(1) Parent Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

(2) Parent Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____