

## ROSE HILL SOCCER CLUB COACH CODE OF CONDUCT

These codes of conduct are in place to ensure a safe and fun environment for all those involved in playing, coaching, refereeing and watching the soccer games that are part of the Rose Hill Soccer Club. The primary purpose of our program is **recreational in nature**. For many of our officials and coaches, their roles will be new learning experiences just as playing will be for many of the players. We ask all participants conduct themselves in a respectful manner.

- Encourage positive sportsmanship by example. Remember that this game is for the kids to enjoy, don't ruin that for them.
- You will be held accountable for player's and your parent's behavior as well as your own. Help your team's players and parents regain control if they get inappropriately carried away with their emotions.
- Be supportive and accept wins and losses. Give positive feedback to players.
- Interact positively with coaches and players of opposing team or do not interact with them at all.
- Do not openly or directly criticize the referee before, during or after games.
- Do not enter the field of play for any reason other than when approved by a referee for an injury.
- If a coach openly or directly criticizes the referee, opposing coach or players or is inappropriate with his/her sideline sportsmanship, the referee has the authority to (1st) warn the coach of the problems on the sidelines from the fans. If the behavior continues the referee has the authority to (2nd) award a PK to the opposing team.
- Any RHSC Board member has the authority to stop any game to regain sportsmanship of the players, coaches and spectators. Warning followed up with the cancellation of the game may be the result if the behavior is not corrected after the warning.
- Any coach, who touches, bumps, physically contacts or verbally abuses a game official or RHSC Board member, shall be guilty of violent conduct and immediately suspended from the Shorty Cox Sports Complex and the RHSC League for a minimum of one year and potentially suspended permanently.
- Any formal complaint shall only be done in writing to the RHSC Board by email or mail. Recognize that many of the referees are young and are learning to referee. Support their learning efforts as you do youth players because without them there is no game.
- If a coach is issued a red card, he/she is ejected from the complex at that very moment, which includes the parking lot, for the remainder of that game. Further suspension will be determined by the RHSC Board.

**I have read and understand the rules of behavior and the consequences outlined within this Code of Conduct document as Coach of this team. I also acknowledge by signing this form, I have/will discuss the Spectator and Player Code of Conduct forms with my team's parents and players to ensure understanding the rules of behavior and consequences outlined in these documents.**