

Code of Conduct for Parents

The parent's role is one of support to the players, coaches and club. Parents should not engage in "coaching" from the sidelines, criticize players, coaches or game officials or try to influence the makeup of the team at any time. Every parent is expected to abide by the following code of conduct.

- Parents are not permitted to approach the coach about playing time directly after the completion of any game. Parents are permitted to contact the coach 24 hours after the last game to discuss their child's playing time or other issues. If the matter cannot be resolved between the coach and the parent, then the age group DOC can be brought in to help resolve any concerns or issues.
- At no time should a parent approach the coach during a game. All parents should stay on the opposite side of the field at all times. No parent should come onto the field for any reason during the game.
- Players have more need for good examples than for criticism. Attempt to relieve the pressure of the competitions, not increase it.
- Applaud good plays by your team and by members of the opposing team.
- Do not openly question an official's judgments or honesty. Officials are symbols of fair play, integrity and sportsmanship.
- Accept the results of each game. Encourage your child to be gracious in victory, and to see defeat as a learning experience by working towards improvement. Losing is part of a player's development and can be useful for players to learn about character and discipline among other things.
- The game is for the players not the adults.
- Understand that players win and lose games and not coaches. Soccer is a player's game and always will be. Unlike many sports such as football, baseball and basketball where coaches can have a direct influence on the game with their decisions, soccer is a free-flowing game where the ball and the situation changes frequently. Consequently, soccer coaches have very little influence on the game and the players are the ones that determine the outcome.
- Encourage your players to always play by the rules.
- Treat coaches, other players and game officials, administrators and opposing fans with respect at all times; regardless of race, sex, creed, or ability.
- Allow the coach to be the **only** coach. You might be telling your child to do the exact opposite of what the coach has told him or her to do, and this will only frustrate the player and can have a negative affect on their performance.
- Refrain from any activity or conduct that may be detrimental or reflect adversely upon Redoubt Soccer Association or its members or programs.
- Parents will follow all Association rules; respecting at all times the property of others.

Code of Conduct for Players

- To encourage good sportsmanship from fellow players, coaches, officials and parents at all times.
- To do the best I can each day, remember that all players have talents and weaknesses the same as I do.
- To treat my coaches, other players and coaches, game officials, other administrators, and fans with respect at all times: regardless of race, sex, creed, or ability, and I will expect to be treated accordingly.
- I will exercise self-control and control my temper, resisting the temptation of retaliation.
- While traveling, shall conduct oneself so as to bring credit to themselves, their team, their family and Redoubt Soccer Association.
- Alcohol, illegal drugs and unauthorized prescription drugs shall not be possessed, consumed or distributed before, during or after any game or at any other time at the field and/or game complex.
- To know and respect the rules of soccer and Redoubt and abide by them at all times.
- Show respect and courtesy to officials and coaches by following their instructions and direction.
- Respect the game officials and refrain from addressing them or commenting on their decisions during or after the game.
- Avoiding the use of abusive or profane language, taunting or humiliating remarks, and/or gestures and physical assault upon another player at any time.
- Respect the coaches and players of the opposing team and display sportsmanship at the conclusion of a game and be humble and generous to victory and courteous in defeat.
- Follow all Association rules, respecting at all times the property of others