



## OBSERVATION POLICY OF CRSC COMPETITIVE TEAM PRACTICES

At Carolina Rapids Soccer Club, player development is centered on creating an environment where each player can accomplish their individual goals and we work hard to structure our training sessions in order to maximize the time we have with our players. We believe that involving parents by communicating our goals and expectations contributes to the creation of a positive environment for children to develop, not only as soccer players, but as responsible individuals.

With this in mind, we ask that parents and spectators refrain from accessing the grassy areas near the soccer fields and training areas prior to and during any of the times players are actively involved in training for the following reasons:

1. Part of creating the ideal training environment is minimizing distractions for the coach and players. It's important to create a space where the coaching staff can fully focus on their players. Utilizing the full space available, allowing the kids to take full responsibility for their training without the scrutiny of parents, and allowing creativity without fear of failure in front of an audience is important for the learning process.
2. Having a crowd gathered near the edge of the training area also creates potential for injury to spectators. We want to make sure that family members aren't at risk of being hit by stray balls and creating a distance between training sessions and spectators helps minimize that risk.

We encourage all parents to observe training sessions, just from a distance and in the designated areas specified below.

**Bailey Road Park** – Observation from the top of the hill adjacent to the parking lot

**Richard Barry Park** – Observation from the sidewalk at the edge of the parking lot area, Parents have full access to the walking/jogging path on the bottom tier.

In instances when emergencies require a parent to access the field, common sense will always prevail.

## COMPETITIVE PLAYERS ACCESSING SOCCER FIELDS DURING PRACTICE

We ask that all CRSC competitive players walk around the outside of the soccer fields when arriving at their practice location. This will cut back on traffic on certain areas of the fields, minimize disruption of the ongoing practices and help keep all of our players safe.