



Petoskey Youth Soccer Association Coach Code of Conduct

The mission of PYSA is to create an inclusive culture that values the development of the whole player while fostering a lifelong love of the game. The key PYSA values include:

To achieve its mission and values the Petoskey Youth Soccer Association shall specifically seek:

- A. To provide a comprehensive youth soccer program for all youth within our defined geographic boundaries.
- B. To encourage and provide for parental and community support in the instructional and competitive aspects of a youth soccer program.
- C. Through such a program, to support the growth and development of our youth and the development of the sport of soccer.
- D. PYSA shall not discriminate nor condone discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national or ethnic origin, gender or sexual orientation.
- E. PYSA may be an affiliated league of and comply with the authority of the Michigan State Youth Soccer Association (MSYSA) and the United States Youth Soccer Association (USYSA) and the United State Soccer Federation (USSF).

As a coach of the Petoskey Youth Soccer Association, I understand and will commit to the expectations of me:

- Provide a positive learning and growing experience for all players on the team. Outcomes and scores of the game are secondary to development, a positive experience and a growth mindset.
- Abide by the PYSA Policies and Procedures and follow the PYSA Philosophy.
- Follow all league rules and regulations.
- Demonstrate good sportsmanship and lead by example. Respect the officials at all times, especially when you disagree.
- Learn the Laws of the Game and earn at least a Grassroots coaching license (must be obtained with 18 months of submitting coaching application).
- Must obtain a risk management card before ANY coaching duties may be performed.
- Complete the Safe Sport training and annually renew.
- Attend PYSA sponsored CPR and AED training & certification (if already certified may submit copy of your card).
- Ensure every child plays a variety of positions and gets playing time as instructed by our policies and procedures.
- Keep the directors up to date on major practice and game changes as well as any issues within your team.
- Respect the field closure signs at Click Road and be sure to rotate your drills around your space instead of repetitively beating up the same patch.
- Create an environment that develops your player's physical soccer skills, athletic skills, as well as tactical understanding of the game and self-esteem. This environment should instruct during training and allow players to learn in game situations.
- The coach is responsible for the sportsmanship and actions of the team, including how the parents behave on the side-line of games. If an issue arises and cannot be handled by the coach or manager, the referee may issue a card to the coach.