

## PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

We want to ensure that games are fair, positive and enjoyable experiences for all of the players and adults involved. A soccer game should be friendly and unifying – a spirited social and athletic occasion for players, coaches, referees and spectators.

While winning is important, playing well and fairly is the essence of the game. I/we will set a good example to my/our child in his soccer development by adhering at all times to the following:

- Not criticize the referee openly or directly, during or after games.
- Only give positive feedback to players.
- Will cheer at all games within the spirit of fair play and shall do our best to cheer the effort regardless of the outcome. We will be mindful in “lopsided” games where sheering our own “winning” team might be misunderstood.
- Do our best to teach our players to become students of the game.
- Find the “little successes” that our players have during each game.
- Show the quality of our sportsmanship during and after each and every game and help our players remember to thank the referee after the game without regard to the result.
- Support the learning effort of the players, coaches, and the referees by demonstrating our patience.
- Try at be at practice 15 minutes before it starts and 30 minutes before the game starts. Contact the coach at least 30 minutes before if the player can’t make practice or a game, sooner always helps.
- Understand that improper behavior at a game may result in a parent being asked to leave the field by the referee, the coach, or club official, so the coach does not receive a yellow card caution or even a red card ejection due to the action of the parent spectator.
- Leave the coaching to the coach during a match. Do your best not to give our players instructions during the match.
- Understand that upon review by the coach and Alden Youth soccer club board, you can if necessary be asked not to attend games if you behave in a manner that is rude or otherwise offensive.
- Agree to do your best to have as much fun watching the game as the players should have playing the game.

Parent/Guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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