



Morris United Soccer Club

Players Code of Conduct

This Players Code of Conduct has been developed to clarify and define the standards of behavior from youth players affiliated with the Morris United Soccer Club.

1. I will emphasize that the game is played for fun.
2. I will play soccer because it is fun and not because others want me to play.
3. I will practice good sportsmanship and will encourage good sportsmanship from fellow players, coaches, officials and parents at all times.
4. I will remember that winning isn't everything and that having fun, playing fair, improving my skills, and giving my best efforts are the most important aspects of youth soccer.
5. I will play the best I can every day and I understand all players have weaknesses, the same as I do.
6. I will treat my coaches, teammates, other players and coaches, and fans with respect at all times; regardless of race, gender, creed, or abilities, and I will expect to be treated accordingly.
7. I will follow coaching direction and will not be disruptive during practices or games, nor will I "mouth off" or use profane language or gestures.
8. I will concentrate on playing soccer by always giving my best effort, both in practices and in games.
9. I will be on time for practices and games and will notify my coach if I cannot attend. I will make every effort to attend all games and practices.
10. If I play multiple sports, I will be as committed to soccer as other sports.
11. I will respect my opponents, whether they have more or less ability than me and regardless of whether I win or lose.
12. I will be respectful when I win and gracious when I lose.
13. I will show respect for the referee, even if I disagree with her or his calls.
14. I will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct such as refusing to shake hands or using profane language or gestures.
15. I will endeavor to learn the Laws of the Game and will always play within the spirit and intentions of the rules and the Laws of the Game.
16. I will resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
17. I will never play with the intent to injure an opposing player.
18. I will let my coach know if I am ill or injured and will not hide or disguise an injury to keep playing.
19. I understand that I am an ambassador of the Morris United Soccer Club and will always endeavor to behave in a manner which reflects the club in a positive manner
- 20. I understand that if I fail to abide by Players Code of Conduct, I may be subject to disciplinary action that could include:**
 - **Being limited in playing time by my coaches**
 - **Being cautioned or ejected from games by game officials**
 - **Being suspended from practices or games**
 - **Being removed as a player with the Morris United Soccer Club**