



MSC 2016 / 2017 Coaching Code of Conduct

In signing this letter of commitment, I pledge to provide positive support, care and encouragement for my participation in MSC by following this Coaching Code of Conduct:

I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, parents and officials at every game, practice or other youth soccer event.

I will dress for the games as a coach with MSC coach jersey, athletic pants or shorts & tennis shoes or cleats.

With regard to my players:

I believe that my role as a coach is to contribute to the overall success, physical, and athletic growth of the player through participation in soccer.

- I will endeavor to be a good instructor and a positive role model for my players.
- I believe that the score of a game comes second to the safety and welfare of all my players.
- I will endeavor to put winning in its proper perspective.
- I am responsible for understanding and competing within the letter and the spirit of the Laws of the Game.
- I will teach my players to understand and play within the letter and spirit of the Laws, as well.

With regard to opposing teams:

I believe that the way my team conducts itself can also have an influence, for better or worse, on those we compete against.

- I will endeavor to make my team a positive role model.
- I will not coach, nor allow my players to play, with intent to cause injury to opposing players.
- Neither I nor my players and spectators will display hostile behavior towards opposing players.
- I will emphasize winning without boasting and losing without bitterness.

With regard to Referees:

- I believe that Referees, just as coaches and players, are attempting to do their best.
- I will instill in my players and spectators a respect for that fact.
- I understand that my attitude can influence my players and spectators.
- I will display a controlled and undemonstrative attitude toward Referees at all times.
- Neither I nor my players and spectators will address a Referee before, during or after the game in a demeaning fashion.

Coaches are responsible for the conduct of their players and the spectators on their side of the field, specifically as it relates to the referee, coaches, players and spectators on the other team. Verbal and/or physical abuse will not be tolerated.

If a coach approaches a referee or steps on to the field to challenge a call, they will be asked to leave the game and the incident will be reviewed. Any reports or card issues to coaches will be reviewed by Mundelein Soccer Club Board.

Acknowledgement

I have read, understand and hereby agree to abide by and support the MSC Coach's Code of Conduct.

Coach Name (print): _____

Today's Date: _____

Signature: _____