# Oregon Soccer Club Code of Conduct – Parent Please complete for each parent/guardian

## **Parent Information**

Last name:	
First name:	
Team:	
Season:	

In order to ensure that the principles of sportsmanship, fair play and mutual respect among players, coaches, officials, and spectators characterize all competition sponsored by the Oregon Soccer Club, the following Code of Conduct has been established. The Oregon Soccer Club expects that all spectators will maintain a high standard of conduct at all times and will enforce the standard firmly and fairly. This includes any competition or event in which Oregon Soccer Club uniforms are worn by players. The Board of the Oregon Soccer Club is the sole administrative body and is the final authority pertaining to policy and guidelines.

# STANDARD OF CONDUCT

- Respect Others. Exhibit a positive attitude toward players, coaches, officials, spectators, and opposing teams whether you win or lose. Teach and practice good sportsmanship and fair play by personally demonstrating commitment to these virtues.
- 2. **Refrain from coaching your player or any other player.** Coaching consists of giving directions or information to players. Refrain from yelling "run faster," "shoot," "kick it," or other similar phrases. The players know this. It's their game. Spectators are merely invited to watch.
- 3. **Respect the Officials.** Refrain from questioning their decisions or addressing them in a loud, disrespectful or abusive manner. Under no circumstances shall a spectator need to talk to a game official. Let the game officials officiate the game.
- 4. **Know the Rules.** Learn and respect the Laws of the Game and the rules of the Oregon Soccer Club.
- 5. **No Smoking or Alcohol.** Refrain from smoking or alcohol consumption during soccer games or practices.
- 6. **Stay Calm.** Cheer positively; refrain from making abusive remarks about the opposing team. Maintain control of your emotions and avoid actions, language and/or gestures that may be interpreted as hostile or humiliating.
- 7. **Support your player and team** by following the rules and arriving on time and ready to play. Be sure that your player has the proper clothing and equipment every time he or she steps onto the soccer field. Pay all fees and dues on or before the same become due. When picking up your player from practice or games help the coach avoid situations where he/she is alone with the last remaining player during pick-up.
- 8. Playing Time.
  - a) Recreational teams, including Academy. Players share time on the field equally, as much as possible. Coaches should rotate players to various positions frequently to experience all positions on the field. Players play where the coach places them and understand they will get a chance to play every position, even positions they might not prefer to play.

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- b) Competitive teams. Players shall play at least 50% of each game. Players play at positions assigned at the discretion of the coach. Players should not demand to play or not play certain positions. You must remember that you are playing competitive soccer and the coach will play you where it is best for the team and for your individual development. Because the program goals include improvement of each participant's soccer skills and knowledge, coaches can, when appropriate, use game and practice situations to teach new positions to players. For younger (U11-U12 teams), coaches shall have players play multiple positions in games, for example: offense and defense, over the duration of the season.
- c) Behavior: If a player is disruptive, disrespectful or otherwise problematic during a game/practice, he or she will be given a warning. This warning will be clearly stated by the coach, who will identify the specific action that resulted in the warning. If he or she continues to be disruptive, he or she will be asked to sit out the remainder of the game/practice, allowing his or her teammates to practice without distraction. The player will be expected to remain at the game/practice on the sidelines. At the conclusion of the game/practice, the coach, player and the player's parents or guardians will determine a time to discuss the situation. If a player is asked to sit out during a game/practice, the playing time policy may be void for the team's next game and becomes the coach's discretion. If a player is asked to sit out two games/practices in a week, he or she will not be allowed to participate in the team's third practice of the week and playing time in the next game will at the coach's discretion. Players are expected to attend such games and support their teammates in a positive manner.
- d) Attendance: If a player is unable to attend a practice or game, the coach or team manager must be notified ahead of time, either by email or phone with an explanation. If a player misses practice without prior notice, the playing time policy may be void for the next game.

## I agree to abide by this Parent Code of Conduct at all times.

All parents and/or guardians of this player that plan to attend games or play an active role in supporting their player, please sign. A minimum of one parent and/or guardian signature is required.

Parent 1 - Print Name:	
Signature:	
Parent 2 - Print Name:	
Signature:	
Parent 3 - Print Name:	
Signature:	Date:
Parent 4 - Print Name:	
Signature:	Date:

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