

Coaches/Assistant Coaches Code of Conduct

1. **I WILL NOT ADDRESS THE REFEREE DURING THE GAME.** Only exceptions are pointing out emergencies or safety issues, making substitutions and responding to a referee initiating a communication. During halftime break and after the completion of the game, I may politely ask for the referee to explain the rules surrounding a call made during the game.
2. I will introduce myself to the opposing coach and referee before each game.
3. I will give polite, friendly and constructive feedback to the referees. I will thank the referee after the game and encourage my players to do the same.
4. I will sign the Referee Game Report for the just completed game.
5. If I have a major complaint about a referee, I will fill out a complaint form at the Soccer Shack after the game. I will not display my frustration at the field in front of the players and fans.
6. I will encourage fair play and de-emphasize winning and losing.
7. I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for **all** players, coaches and officials. I will applaud good plays by members of my team as well as the opposing team.
8. I will treat other players, coaches, fans, and officials with respect.
9. I will not use profanity around players, fans and officials.
10. At a preseason meeting I will explain acceptable player and parent behavior as well as the 4-point rule. I will also re-enforce the code of conduct throughout the season as needed. I realize that I am responsible for the conduct of the players and parents on my team.
11. I will develop the child's appreciation of the game.
12. I will allow each player to experience all positions.
13. I will allow each player to play a minimum of ½ of each game.
14. I will not bring alcohol or illegal drugs inside the soccer complex.
15. I will coach/teach my team and assistant coaches strategies so that our team will NOT beat another team by more than 4 points. If our team beats another team by more than 4 points, the following consequences will be issued. After the 1st offense occurs, the coach is given a warning. After the 2nd offense occurs, the coach receives a 1 game suspension. After the 3rd offense, the coach is indefinite suspended from coaching for St. Giles United Soccer Club.
16. I will remember that members of my team are the ones playing soccer, not me.
17. I will know and follow all rules set forth by the club.

Coach/Assistant Coach _____ Date _____

