

PSC CODE OF ETHICS

Players

- *I will encourage good sportsmanship from fellow players, coaches, officials and parents at all times.*
- *I will remember that soccer is an opportunity to learn and have fun.*
- *I deserve to play in an environment that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol; and expect everyone to refrain from their use at all soccer games.*
- *I will do the best I can each day, remembering that all players have talents and weaknesses the same as I do.*
- *I will treat my coaches, other players and coaches, game officials, other administrators, and fans with respect at all times; regardless of race, sex, creed, or abilities, and I will expect to be treated accordingly.*
- *I will concentrate on playing soccer. Always giving my best effort.*
- *I will play by the rules at all times.*
- *I will at all times control my temper, resisting the temptation to retaliate.*
- *I will always exercise self control.*
- *Conduct during competition in game play, and towards officials shall be in accordance with WSMYSA rules for appropriate behavior.*
- *While traveling, players shall conduct themselves so as to bring credit to themselves and their team.*
- *Alcohol, illegal drugs and unauthorized prescription drugs shall not be possessed, consumed or distributed before, during or after any game or at any other time at the field and/or game complex.*

Coaches/Volunteers

- *I will never place the value of winning before the safety and welfare of all players*
- *I will always show respect for players, other coaches, and game officials.*
- *I will lead by example, demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship at all times.*
- *I will demonstrate knowledge of the rules of the game, and teach these rules to my players.*
- *I will never use abusive or insulting language. I will treat everyone with dignity.*
- *I will not tolerate inappropriate behavior, regardless of the situation.*
- *I will not allow the use of anabolic agents or stimulants, drugs, tobacco, or alcohol by any of my players.*
- *I will never knowingly jeopardize the eligibility and participation of a student-athlete.*
- *Youth have a greater need for example rather than criticism. I will be the primary soccer role model.*
- *I will at all times conduct myself in a positive manner.*
- *Coaching is motivating players to produce their best effort, inspiring players to learn, and encouraging players to be winners.*
- *Coach's actions on sidelines during games shall be in the spirit of "good sportsmanship" at all times. Profanity, profane gestures, arguing, inciting disruptive behavior by spectators and/or players, or any conduct not in the spirit of good sportsmanship, shall require disciplinary action from the affiliate.*
- *Alcohol, illegal drugs and unauthorized prescription drugs shall not be possessed, consumed or distributed before, during or after any game or at any other time at the field and/or game complex.*
- *I will refrain from any activity or conduct that may be detrimental or reflect adversely upon WSMYSA, its members or its programs*
- *I will accurately and completely complete the coach/volunteer application form and by application attest to the accuracy of the information submitted.*

Parents/Spectators

- *I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, game officials, and administrators. at all times.*
- *I will place the emotional and physical well being of all players ahead of any personal desire to win.*
- *I will support the coaches, officials, and administrators working with my child, in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all.*
- *I will remember that the game is for the players, not for the adults.*
- *I will ask my child to treat other players, coaches, game officials, administrators, and fans with respect.*
- *I will always be positive.*
- *I will always allow the coach to be the only coach.*
- *I will not get into arguments with the opposing team's parents, players, or coaches.*
- *I will not come onto the field for any reason during the game.*
- *I will not criticize game officials.*
- *Alcohol, illegal drugs and unauthorized prescription drugs shall not be possessed, consumed or distributed before, during or after any game or at any other time at the field and/or game complex.*
- *I will refrain from any activity or conduct that may be detrimental or reflect adversely upon WSMYSA, its members or its programs.*
- *In summary, I will try to remember at all times that I am teaching my child through my behaviors. I will keep integrity in mind as I show my best face at soccer games and events.*

Failure to comply may result in the suspension of your privilege to participate in WSMYSA sanctioned events to be evaluated by the Portage Soccer board.

NOTE: Any individual charged with a violation of this Code of Ethics shall be afforded due process as defined in WSMYSA's rule before the implementation of any suspension.