



Coaches' Code Of Conduct

As a Coach for a Mid-Isle Soccer Club (MSC) team, I understand that Mid-Isle Soccer's only goal is the development of its players. I confirm that I have read and will seek to respect the following expectations:

- Players participate for their pleasure and benefit, not mine. I will seek to challenge and push players to excel and develop without jeopardizing their overall enjoyment.
- Coaches will seek to teach and not critique from the sidelines.
- Coaches will seek to balance the demands that the team places on players in terms of time, energy and enthusiasm. Coaches will ensure that a player's commitment to the team is not unreasonable and jeopardizes their ability to succeed at school or other activities.
- MSC supports a sports environment that is free from drugs, tobacco and alcohol. Coaches will respect that when attending MSC games or events.
- Every player who is asked to travel to a game, will have the opportunity to play. As a coach, I will seek to provide clear expectations and input for players based on their own abilities. Coaches will seek to provide fair and honest feedback to players and parents.
- Coaches will encourage and support players to train and play hard, set the standards and ensure all players are aware of the expectations. Coaches will evaluate and reward player participation and effort in training sessions.
- Coaches will seek to display control, respect and professionalism to all involved with soccer, respect the rules, the officials, opponents, parents, fans and team mates, and will encourage players and parents to do the same.
- Coaches will make the health and well-being of players their number one priority.
- Coaches will seek complete information from parents with regard to injuries and will follow the advice of a physician when determining if a player is ready to train or play.
- As coach I will put the team's interest ahead of individual interests. I will seek to make decisions that are best for the team, while respecting player's rights and interests.
- As a coach, my primary objective will be to develop player skills, tactics and game awareness – rather than focusing on individual game scores or standings. I will teach that winning is not everything, but wanting to is.
- Coaches who are also a parent of a player on their team will be diligent in ensuring that they do not show favoritism or have different expectations of their son or daughter.

Coach Name (please print)

Coach Signature

Date