

Code of Conduct

This document presents the expectations for conduct from athletes, parents, and coaches registered with the Alamo Area Youth Soccer Association (AAYSA). AAYSA holds athletes, parents, guardians, coaches, and community members to a high standard of sportsmanship. Enforcing this Code of Conduct allows Alamo Area Youth Soccer Association to promote a safe, rewarding, and fun sports experience for our entire community.

Please read the document carefully before registering for each season. Each participant and coach/team manager is required to acknowledge the Code of Conduct online before the season begins and must abide by the Code of Conduct throughout the entire seasonal year.

Violations of the Code of Conduct will result in disciplinary action consistent with USYS disciplinary actions including suspension - either temporarily or permanently as determined by the Board of Directors.



Code of Conduct for Parents and Spectators

- I will learn and respect the rules of the game.
- I will put the emotional and physical well-being of youth participants ahead of a personal desire to win.
- I will maintain control of my emotions, avoid the use of abusive language, profanity, and gestures of ill temper, and refrain at all times from making hostile or negative remarks about the opposing team.
- I will always respect players, coaches, guardians, officials, spectators, and families.
- I will respect the decisions of officials and coaches and not question their decisions or address them in a loud, disrespectful, or abusive manner.
- I will not engage in any violence or verbal threats or use any profanity.
- I will not coach my or any other child during any practice or game.
- I will model good sportsmanship for all youth participants.
- I will not belittle or ridicule anyone involved in a youth sporting event—in public, private, in-person, or online.
- I will not go to the Coach/Player's sideline <u>before, during, or after</u> the game for any reason unless requested by the coach. I will stay on the parent sideline. I will not sit behind any goal during any game.
- I will not enter the field of play during practices or games for any reason unless requested by the referee or the coach.
- I will not approach ANY coach or official after the game to discuss what may have happened during the game, nor will I follow them to their vehicle.
- I understand that I will provide the coach 48 hours to decompress before engaging in a
 discussion about the game. During this time there are NO texts, emails or calls regarding
 the game.
- I will demonstrate appropriate gestures of sportsmanship at the conclusion of a game, win or lose. I will not interact in a negative manner with other fans/spectators, players, team officials, and coaches/team managers.
- I will do my part to keep soccer fun and positive for every youth participant.
- I will realize, accept, and practice the principle that a team's reputation is built not only on its playing ability, but also on the sportsmanship, courtesy, and citizenship of its fans.
- I will follow all venue rules and regulations and I will respect the property of others.
- I accept that the coach/team manager can ask for me to leave the premises at any time during any match/practice due to my actions. If I do not leave, the referee may/will abandon the game.