

BRANDON YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION, INC.



COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT

The role of the coach is to inspire a love of the game, individual player and team development, and a desire to compete fairly; winning isn't everything. With that in mind BYSA coaches will follow these conduct guidelines:

1. I will show respect for all players, all teams staff, all officials, and all spectators at all times.
2. I will work in cooperation with referees for the benefit of the game. I realize that the team can be penalized for my behavior, and I will act as directed by the referee, including changing my behavior and/or leaving the field if requested by the referee.
3. I will remember that players play to have fun and must be encouraged to have confidence in themselves.
4. I will ensure any questions I direct at officials will be constructive in nature.
5. I will ensure that all players receive equal instruction and support.
6. I will provide each player with playing time subject to factors such as attitude, attendance, the weather, fitness levels, positions played, and the needs of the game. In particular, players on recreational teams should receive equal playing time.
7. I will arrive early and be prepared for games and practices.
8. I will teach my players to play fairly and to respect the rules, themselves, referees, opponents, and spectators.
9. I will publicly shake hands with officials and the opposition after the game and display modesty in defeat and graciousness in victory.
10. I will be selective and specific in the amount and type of instruction that I give players. I will coach in a manner that allows for players to make errors, and thus encourages decision making and learning through problem solving.
11. I will make sure that equipment and facilities are safe and match the players' ages and abilities.
12. I will be reasonable when re-scheduling games and practices, remembering that the players and their families have other obligations.

13. I will never take part in a practice, game or team event while under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol.
14. I will never provide alcohol or drugs to players.
15. I will obtain proper training and regularly upgrade my coaching skills and knowledge of the game, including but not limited to attending coaching clinics, according to the standards of BYSA, WRSA, MSA and CSA.
16. I will respect and follow the direction given to me by WRSA's Technical Director, and implement the recommendations of the Technical Director as related to season planning, the player pathway and Long Term Player Development.
17. I will not speak negatively of the Technical Director, WRSA or BYSA.
18. I will not roster guest players, or release players on my team to play elsewhere without the specific permission of the WRSA's Technical Director.
19. I will work constructively and collaboratively with other coaches within BYSA and WRSA.
20. I will maintain an up-to-date knowledge of the game and the rules of play.
21. I will inform parents/guardians of any injuries their son/daughter may have suffered, and confirm that either myself or the team manager has completed the "Accident Report Form" located in the BYSA's Emergency Action Plan.
22. I will not take part in any form of bullying, whether that be to a parent, player, team coach, referee or club representative. Bullying in any form, whether in person, electronically (any form of social media) will not be tolerated.
23. I will report serious rule infractions and problems to the disciplinary committee of BYSA.
24. I will make sure that either myself or our team manager returns any BYSA equipment (including but not limited to jerseys if appropriate) at the end of the season.
25. I recognize that infractions of this code may result in disciplinary action and possible ban from coaching.