



## White Clay Soccer Club COACH CODE OF CONDUCT

The White Clay Soccer Club has adopted a **Zero Tolerance Policy** towards verbal, physical, and sexual abuse, harassment, or threatening behavior by anyone involved in the club. All participants (including, but not limited to, parents, players, coaches, and volunteers) who are abusive (as determined by the club) toward any person (including, but not limited to, opposing teams, parents, coaches, referees, players, board members, club members and spectators) **will** be subject to disciplinary action.

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In addition, players, parents and coaches of WCSC can expect and hold me accountable for the following during my year-long commitment to the club and my team:

- I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my players ahead of a personal desire to win.
- I will review and practice basic first aid principles needed to treat injuries.
- I will learn FIFA's *Laws of the Game*, and I will instruct my players on them.
- I will do my best to organize practices that are fun and challenging for all of my players.
- I will lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all of my players.
- I will provide a sports environment for my team that is free of foul language, drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, and I will refrain from using them at all youth sports events, games, and practices.
- I will promptly alert parents/guardians of any injuries sustained during games or training sessions.
- I will make an effort to attend coaching education opportunities sponsored by the club and/or third parties.
- The game is not about me but about children learning how to play soccer and deal with winning and losing in a team environment and I will portray this attitude.
- I understand that being a coach means being, first and foremost, a teacher. I will teach my players basic soccer skills, techniques and strategies, and will give all my players the opportunity to improve their skills, gain confidence and develop self-esteem at practice and in games.
- I understand that I will not act in any way which impedes, undermines or otherwise negatively affects the club, the Board or my team.
- I am involved in youth soccer for the benefit of my players and for their personal development.
- I understand that any violation of this code of conduct may result in disciplinary action as determined by the White Clay Soccer Club Board of Directors in its sole discretion.

I have received and read a copy of this Coach Code of Conduct and acknowledge that my being permitted by the Board to coach for the White Clay Soccer Club requires my strict adherence to this Coach Code of Conduct. Any actions that the board determines to be in violation this Coach Code of Conduct may result in my warning, suspension or termination.

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Coach / Assistant Coach Name (printed)

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Team Name

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Coach / Assistant Coach Signature

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Date