

Eastern Pennsylvania Youth Soccer Player Code of Conduct

Any violation of this code of conduct may result in disciplinary action.

A Player Will...

- Hold themselves to a **high standard of sportsmanship** on and off the field, without engaging in any unsportsmanlike conduct.
- Treat all teammates, opponents, coaches, staff members, and officials with respect.
- Follow the rules of the game, and always engage in fair play.
- **Respect the opinions and values of their peers and coaches** to develop a healthy team environment.
- Demonstrate inclusive behavior and encourage diversity while opposing all types of discrimination, including, but not limited to, discrimination based on race, color, religion, national origin, citizenship, disability, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or veteran status.
- Follow league and club standards when communicating with other coaches and players, including on social media.
- **Report to the member organization's reporting line** when they believe a coach has violated the coach's code of conduct. Additionally, players may report directly to U.S. Soccer <u>here</u>.

A Player Will NOT...

- **Break policies** set forth by the U.S. Soccer Federation, member organizations, leagues, or clubs. This includes all safeguarding policies such as the organization's prohibited conduct, the MAAPP, and the SafeSport Code.
- Verbally, physically, sexually, or emotionally abuse, harass, or haze any player, coach, or referee.
- Illegally use or possess drugs, alcohol, and tobacco at team events.
- Pursue, enter, or **maintain a romantic or sexual relationship** with a coach.
- Use derogatory, discriminatory, or profane language.