

EAST ELGIN SOCCER Codes of Conduct

Coaches

As a coach you are a role model and leader. You have significant impact on your players' attitudes and behaviours. Coaches set an example for their players by practicing co-operation, self-discipline and respect for officials and opponents.

- 1) Set an example of control and consistency with players and parents.
- 2) Be Respectful;
 - a) Respect the Laws of the Game
 - b) Respect the Rules of the Club
 - c) Respect yourself, your players, your opponents, and officials
- 3) Discourage the use of foul language and dangerous play.
- 4) Never ridicule or yell at players for making mistakes or performing poorly. Encourage players to improve skills and use failures as an opportunity to teach.
- 5) Win or Lose with grace and dignity.
- 6) Be generous with praise. Even for the little things.
- 7) Communicate your expectations to players and parents.
- 8) All communication to the players via electronic/online mediums is to be through the player's parent/guardian*only*.
- 9) Make use of the club resources to improve your coaching skills and the skills of your players.
- 10) A coach must maintain the high standards of personal conduct and fair play. A coach should never be involved in any circumstance that is offensive or sexually suggestive.

Players

The actions of a player are a reflection of themselves and their team. A player's involvement in soccer provides opportunities and experiences that are important to the development of a well-rounded individual.

- 1) Treat Everyone with Respect
 - a) treat yourself, your teammates, coaches, opponents, and officials with respect
 - b) cheer in a positive manner and be supportive
- 2) Exercise Self-Control at all times
 - a) remember that there is no place in sport for drugs or alcohol
 - b) refrain from the use of foul or profane language
 - c) refrain from the use of physical force outside of the rules of the game
- 3) Play Fair
 - a) play within the rules and the spirit of the rules of the game at all times
- 4) HAVE FUN.

East Elgin Soccer Parents/Spectator Code of Conduct

Parents and spectators are encouraged to be supportive and take an active role in their child's soccer career. Positive support of players and coaches is welcomed and appreciated. Open criticism of players, coaches or officials should be avoided; it has the effect of lowering moral and fostering negative attitudes and behaviours on the part of the players.

- 1) Treat Everyone with Respect
 - a) cheer in a positive manner for all competitors
 - b) respect the decisions of officials
 - c) do not interfere with the play or competition
 - d) be courteous and respectful to other spectators, all competitors, coaches, event organizers and officials.
- 2) Exercise Self-Control at all times
 - a) respect the rules and regulations of the facility
 - b) refrain from the use of foul or profane language
 - c) refrain from the use of physical force of any kind
- 3) Encourage your children to play within the rules
 - a) review the Player Code of Conduct with your Child
 - b) encourage co-operation and teamwork
 - c) discourage foul language and rough play
- 4) Refrain from coaching from the sidelines or near the goal area. Spectators are not allowed behind/beside the goal at any time
- 5) When able, assist with tasks requested by the coach such as putting nets away or providing a half time snack.
- 6) Ensure your child's attendance at all games and practices. If absence is unavoidable, please give adequate advanced notice to the coach.
- 7) No smoking (including e-cigarettes and vapourizers) on or near the playing fields. Smoking is only permitted in the designated parking areas.
- 8) Pets are not permitted on the field. Please refrain from bringing them along to games.