



## **BUFC Player and Parent Code of Conduct**

We, as players and parents/guardians, understand and agree to abide by the following code of conduct to foster a positive and respectful environment for all participants in our soccer program:

### **For Players:**

1. **Voluntary Participation:** I will participate because I want to, not because a parent or guardian wants me to.
2. **Respect for the Game:** I will play by the rules and in the spirit of the game, always showing good sportsmanship.
3. **Understanding of Competitive Nature:** I understand that competitive soccer offers no guarantees regarding playing time or position, and I will support the team's goals regardless of my individual role.
4. **Team Commitment:** I recognize that my participation is crucial for the team's success, and I will attend all practices, tournaments, and games as scheduled.
5. **Attendance Policy:** I understand there is an attendance policy. I have reviewed the policy and understand lack of attendance can lead to reduced playing time or removal from competition.
6. **Respect for Authority:** I will listen to and always follow the instructions of the coaching staff, and I will refrain from questioning their decisions during games.
7. **Positive Behavior:** I will display good sportsmanship, positive behavior, and cheer on my teammates, accepting both victory and defeat with dignity.



8. **Uniform and Equipment:** I will wear my uniform properly and take pride in my appearance as a representative of the team. I will also be responsible for my equipment during games.
9. **Communication with Coaches:** I will discuss any concerns about playing time or position directly with the coaches at an appropriate time and place, rather than during games or practices.
10. **Respect for Others:** I will treat my teammates, coaches, officials, and opponents with respect, regardless of any differences.
11. **Conflict Resolution:** I will resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility, verbal abuse, or violence, and I will seek guidance from coaches if needed.
12. **Cell Phone Policy:** I understand that cell phones are not permitted on the field and will only use them before and after events, practices, and games.
13. **Social media:** I understand that I cannot post negatively to social media any comments, photos, or other posts related to BUFC, my teammates, coaches, officials, parents/spectators, or anything or anyone affiliated with my relationship with BUFC.
14. **Non-Consenting Photos:** I will not take or use photos of anyone affiliated with BUFC including teammates, officials, coaches, parents/spectators, and opponents without their consent for any purpose.
15. **Change-room Privacy:** I understand I will not, for any purpose, be permitted to use my cell phone in the change room.
16. **Consequences:** I understand that failure to follow this code of conduct may result in consequences such as reduced playing time, removal from the game or team, or other disciplinary actions determined by the coach or a disciplinary committee.

**For Parents/Guardians:**

1. **Supportive Attendance:** I will attend games and practices to support my child and the team, understanding that my behavior reflects on the entire program.
2. **Positive Encouragement:** I will provide positive encouragement to my child and refrain from criticizing or ridiculing them or any other participants.
3. **Respect for Authority:** I will respect the authority of the coaching staff and refrain from coaching my child or interfering with their instructions during games.
4. **Respect for Others:** I will treat all players, coaches, officials, and spectators with respect, regardless of any differences.
5. **Conflict Resolution:** I will address any concerns or complaints through the appropriate channels beginning with the coach and manager followed by the Competitive Director.
6. **Attendance Policy:** I understand there is an attendance policy and failure to have my athlete adhere to good attendance could limit their playing time.
7. **Compliance with Policies:** I will familiarize myself with and comply with all team rules, policies, and procedures.
8. **Responsibility for Guests:** I understand that the conduct of any guests I bring to games or events is my responsibility, and I will ensure they adhere to the same standards of behavior.

By signing below, we acknowledge that we have read, understand, and agree to abide by this Player and Parent Code of Conduct.

Player Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_