



FORT SASKATCHEWAN SOCCER

TITLE: CODE OF CONDUCT FOR COACHES

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2.0	September 16, 2019	Added policy re change room

1.0 Purpose

To outline the aspects of the Code of Conduct that are specific to Fort Saskatchewan Soccer's (FSS) Coaches and Team Officials.

2.0 Scope

This policy applies to the Coaches and Team Officials of FSS.

3.0 Terms

Team Officials – Coaches, Assistance Coaches and Team Managers.

4.0 Policy

- 4.1 Coaching teams in FSS are fully responsible for all activities of their team. This includes the conduct of the coaching team, managers, players, and parents. They shall demonstrate leadership, commitment, compassion and fairness when interacting with their team's players and their parents/guardians.
- 4.2 All Team Officials are representatives and agents of FSS. They shall demonstrate respect for its values and expectations, despite:
 - Their own interests or involvement in a specific FSS team;
 - Any personal interest as an individual consumer of FSS services; and
 - Like or dislike they may have for Board members, coaches or volunteers.
- 4.3 FSS coaches need to serve as role models for the youth under their care, to develop soccer skills, good sportsmanship, leadership, teamwork, and fair play.
- 4.4 FSS coaches should avoid actual or the perception of conflict of interest. They shall not use their position or role to gain advantage for their team, their child (or another player on the team), or gain financially from the team's resources.
- 4.5 Coaches have full authority to speak for their team, but not for FSS.
- 4.6 Coaches must demonstrate respect for and adherence to the rules of soccer, assigned referees, and related FSS Policies & Procedures.



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- 4.7 Coaches must strive to extend each of their players to his/her full potential, and play hard towards the highest possible reach of their team. However, coaches should never forget that in the end soccer is only a game.
- 4.8 Coaches must work to ensure that their coaching staff, players, and parents represent FSS with respect, integrity, and in the spirit of good sportsmanship.
- 4.9 Coaches must understand that they have a role in supporting the development and growth of FSS and must consider not only the best interests of their team, but also of the organization. They will support and encourage their players to participate in the programs and activities that are provided by FSS.
- 4.10 Team officials must respect the chain of command. If a team official does not like an answer given to them by FSS, he or she may not seek an alternate resolution with the district or Alberta Soccer. However they may submit an official appeal to the FSS president or vice president.
- 4.11 Coaches must understand that refusal to adhere to the code of conduct and/or any other league, district or Fort Saskatchewan Minor SA policies and rules may result in disciplinary action.
- 4.12 Coaches/adults are not to change in the room when the players are present.