

On behalf of our Board, Staff, and Volunteers, the Kootenay East Youth Soccer Association (KEYSA) would like to welcome you to our club. Our club is dedicated to developing players by using a full season program (April-Sept), focused on technical skill development and tactical team concepts. It is our goal to help improve players at every stage of their career, from U6-U18. Below you will find a summary of our Rep parent and player expectations. Please take time to read through this document to ensure you have a clear understanding of what is expected from you and your player. Once reviewed, please sign and return this document.

Sincerely, KEYSA Board of Directors

# **PERTENANT KEYSA POLICIES**

# FAIR PLAY CODE OF CONDUCT

Players are expected to represent KEYSA in a positive manner whether on the field or in the community. Players should participate without pressure from parents or coaches. Players will control their temper, respect their opponents, acknowledge all good plays/performances - those of their team and their opponents, respect the facilities that are used, and will not discriminate on grounds of race, gender, or sexuality. Players will be a team member, understanding that winning isn't everything. Having fun, improving skills, making friends, and doing their best are also important aspects of being a team member. Players acknowledge that coaches and officials are there to help them and will accept their decisions showing them respect at all times. Players will participate alcohol and drug free, and will support the BC Soccer, and Canada Soccer concussion protocols. If a player has any issues or concerns, they should communicate appropriately with coaches, managers, technical director, or a KEYSA Board member, directly or through a parent.

# COMMITMENT

Players and parents agree to play for KEYSA and Whitecaps only and will not compete with other competitive soccer clubs without prior, written consent from the KEYSA board. Any player who fails to follow this will be subject to disciplinary action, which may include suspension by the KEYSA Board. Players and parents acknowledge the required participation in multiple weekly training sessions, games, tournaments, provincials and associated travel costs. A signed deposit cheque is required to play on a KEYSA Rep team.

# **DETERMINATION OF PLAYING TIME**

Rep players should expect to compete for playing time, but players who attend training and work hard should expect to play a minimum of 30% of the total game minutes on average per



season. Playing time is determined by: training attendance, performance on the field, and work ethic/behavior in games and training.

## **PLAYER EXPECTATIONS**

**SPORTSMANSHIP**: All players are expected to conduct themselves in accordance with the KEYSA *FAIR PLAY CODE OF CONDUCT*, in a sportsmanlike manner during training, games and at any club events. Any player who fails to do so will be subject to disciplinary action, which may include suspension by KEYSA Board.

**ATTENDANCE**: Players are expected to attend all scheduled training sessions. Any player that is consistently unable to attend training sessions can be subject to a reduction in playing time. Players are expected to attend all scheduled games, tournaments, and provincials should their team qualify.

**ATTIRE**: Players are expected to wear soccer appropriate apparel during training sessions and games. All players will be required to wear their KEYSA uniform kit for training and games. All players are required to wear appropriate equipment at all times on the field (see SAFETY section below).

**SAFETY:** All players shall conduct themselves in accordance with the KEYSA *FAIR PLAY CODE OF CONDUCT*. Safety is a core value within KEYSA. No player shall conduct them self in a manner that injures or has the potential to injury themselves or other players. Players will wear cleats and shin pads at all times on the field. Players will not wear watches, earrings, other jewelry, or hats while on the field. Contacts or sports glasses must be worn if your prescription requires. Standard glasses are not permitted.

# PARENT EXPECTATIONS

**CONDUCT**: Parents are expected to represent the KEYSA program in a positive manner at all times. Parents will support the KEYSA *FAIR PLAY CODE OF CONDUCT*, encourage sportsmanship, show respect and courtesy, and demonstrate positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game and training. Parents will participate alcohol and drug free, and will support BC Soccer and Canada Soccer concussion protocol. Parents will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player or parent. KEYSA assigned coaches/assistant coaches should be the only ones instructing players at games and training sessions. Any parent not meeting these expectations will be asked to leave the field and may be subject to disciplinary action including suspension from training or game attendance.



**ATTENDANCE**: Parents will support and ensure players are able to attend all training sessions, games, and tournaments as outlined under *COMMITMENTS* (above). The Rep environment requires a higher level of commitment throughout the season, as is respectful to the larger commitment of all other players and families on a team.

**ATTIRE:** Parents agree to purchase a full training kit for their player through KEYSA's online store from Inaria. Numbers will be assigned to players and will remain with that player for the duration of their playing years with KEYSA. This program provides better value to parents as kits are anticipated to be useable for multiple years.

**COMMUNICATION**: Parents will follow this line of communication when an issue arises:

- Parents will refrain from approaching a manager with game related issues for a period of 24 hours.
- Parents will inform a manager of any issue or concern through polite communication verbally or via email.
- If an issue or concern persists, parents may contact the head coach who may contact the Technical Director for advice.
- Any issues that the manager, coach and Technical Director cannot resolve, will be escalated to the Board. Please submit your concern in writing to info@kootenayeastsoccer.com
- We do ask that all concerns are addressed through the appropriate channels. Most issues can be resolved very quickly once we are aware of a concern.

Acknowledgement: I, (print name) \_\_\_\_\_\_, agree to abide by the standards and terms as defined in this document. I will ensure that my child follows the guidelines set forth by the KEYSA program.

Parent Signature:

\_\_Date:\_\_\_\_\_

Player Signature:

\_\_\_\_\_Date:\_\_\_\_\_

I have attached a deposit cheque made out to KEYSA for \$350.00 to ensure that my child is committed and will attend provincials with their team. I understand that my cheque will only be cashed if my child fails to participate without a medical doctor's note or written permission from the KEYSA board.

Parent Signature:	 Date:

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