



ALLIANCE PLAYER STANDARDS CODE

1. PURPOSE

The Alliance Player Standards Code aligns with [Saskatoon Alliance Culture & Environment Expectations](#) and defines the behaviours, expectations, and responsibilities that ensure every Alliance environment reflects the highest standards of player welfare, development, and professionalism. This policy supports our pursuit of the Canada Soccer National Youth Club Licence by ensuring that every training session and match is safe, inclusive, and player centred.

2. ALLIANCE VALUES

- **Personal Excellence:** Arriving prepared, giving maximum effort, striving for improvement every day.
- **Team Integrity:** Honesty, respect, and accountability to teammates, coaches, and officials.
- **Professional Standards:** Representing the Alliance with pride, in conduct, communication, and dress.
- **Safe & Inclusive Environments:** Promoting dignity, equality, and safety for all participants.
- **Growth-Oriented Development:** Embracing feedback, learning from mistakes, and enjoying the process of improvement.

3. PLAYER RESPONSIBILITIES

Preparation & Appearance

- Arrive 10–15 minutes early and prepared for training start.
- Wear full Alliance training kit (shirt, shorts, socks, shin guards)....non-negotiable!
- Use safe and suitable footwear for the surface.
- Bring a labelled water bottle and personal medical items.
- Maintain personal hygiene and tidy appearance.

Attendance & Communication

- Notify the coach at least 24 hours before any absence of a personal nature or use TeamLinkt availability tab to post reason of absence.
- Report illness or injury via a parent/carer directly to the coach.
- Repeated unexplained absences may lead to review with parents.

Equipment & Environment

- Respect all club and facility property.
- Help with equipment setup and collection.
- Keep dressing rooms and benches clean and orderly.

Conduct & Respect

- Uphold respect for teammates, coaches, and opponents.
- Use positive communication; foul or abusive language is never acceptable.
- Accept coaching feedback with humility and curiosity.
- Use social media responsibly. Misuse may lead to review with parents.

Health, Safety & Well-being

- Report injuries or wellness concerns to the coach immediately.
- Participate in warm-ups, cool-downs, and hydration breaks.
- Support teammates through encouragement and empathy.



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4. PARENT / CARER RESPONSIBILITIES

- **Communication:** Provide timely notice of absences, medical updates, or welfare concerns.
- **Sideline Behaviour:** Model positivity. Encourage effort, not outcome. Support both teams and respect officials.
- **Respect:** Never challenge referees or coaching decisions during play.
- **Safety & Preparation:** Ensure players have correct kit, hydration, and clothing.
- **Engagement:** Participate in meetings and reinforce Alliance values at home.

5. COACH RESPONSIBILITIES

Alliance coaches commit to creating safe, inclusive, and developmentally appropriate environments in line with Canada Soccer Safe Sport and Development standards. They lead with empathy and professionalism, communicate clearly, and uphold all safeguarding and welfare protocols.

6. COMPLIANCE & REVIEW

All players, parents, and coaches must sign the [Saskatoon Alliance Codes of Conduct](#) annually. Violations are addressed through restorative discussions and education, not punishment. This policy is reviewed each season for alignment with Canada Soccer National Youth Club Licence Standards.

7. THE ALLIANCE WAY

We believe football develops character and connection. Our players are respectful, resilient, and ready to learn. Our parents model positivity. Our coaches lead with care. Together, we build a culture of excellence through respect and enjoyment.