POLICIES

## SCSA CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PARENTS & SPECTATORS

The support that you provide as a parent and/or spectator is vital to your child's success. Development and enjoyment with playing competitive soccer will depend on your support and positive attitude towards your child, the team, coaches, staff and ultimately the Club.

A parent or spectator shall:

- 1. Make every effort to learn the Laws of the Game
- 2. Respect the decisions of the Game Official, abuse, of any kind, will not be tolerated
- 3. Always be positive and encourage all players to participate, do not criticize players, the team and/or coaching staff from either Club
- 4. Never use foul or abusive language at any time
- 5. Ensure that the facility in use is in the same condition as it was prior to arrival
- 6. Refrain from coaching any player during a game, understand that there may be a coaching decision or a style of play that the coach is working on
- 7. Remain a respectable distance from playing area, during both training and games
- 8. Respect the coaching staff's decision to not play players that are deemed un-fit to play
- 9. Avoid argumentative and disrespectful behavior towards any player, parent, official, team official and follow the Incident Protocol found on the SCSA website for complaint procedure
- 10. Help players abide by the Player Code of Conduct and Commitment Letter

The SCSA has the right to suspend their privilege as a spectator if they act in a manner that is deemed to be rude or otherwise offensive. Continued violation of the above guidelines could result in disciplinary action up to and including removing the player from the roster.



## Sport Manitoba's "A Guide for Sports Parents".

- 1. I will remember that my child plays for his or her enjoyment, not mine.
- 2. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or event.
- 3. I will never ridicule or yell at my child for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- 4. I will provide positive comments that motivate and encourage continued effort.
- 5. I will make my child feel like a winner every time by offering praise for competing fairly and trying hard.
- 6. I will remember that children learn best by example. I will applaud good play/performances by both my child's team and their opponents.
- 7. I will show respect for my team's opponents, because without them there would be no game or competition.
- 8. I will respect the officials' decisions and will encourage participants to do the same.
- 9. I will respect the volunteer coaches, who give their time to provide sport activities for my child and show appreciation for their efforts.
- 10. I will not use bad language, nor will I harass or abuse, verbally or physically, athletes, coaches, officials or other spectators.
- 11. I will not have unrealistic expectations.
- 11. I will remember that child athletes are not miniature professionals and cannot be judged by professional standards.