



Yavapai Soccer Club Select Parent-Player Agreement

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Welcome to Yavapai Soccer Club Select competitive program. We ask that all parents read and acknowledge this agreement and together strive to produce the best possible experience for everyone involved.

PHILOSOPHY

The Select program seeks to provide a comprehensive program for the youth soccer player including training in technical skills, knowledge of the game of soccer and personal and social growth as a valued team member.

Club leaders will sometimes make decisions that parents may not fully understand or agree with. Club and team interests and player development will sometimes be given a higher priority than winning.

Decisions are based on this order:

- o First, what is in the best interest of the Club;
- o Second, what is in the best interest of a team;
- o Third, what is in the best interest of a player; and
- o Fourth, what is in the best interest of a coach or parent.

Parents and players are asked to respect this and to conduct themselves in a manner that fosters a healthy club and team environment.

COACHES

- Coaches are approved and assigned to teams by the Director of Coaching (DOC) .
- The coach is responsible to set the standard of orderly conduct on the field and to control the actions of all coaching staff, players and spectators associated with YSC.
 - Coaches agree to pursue continuing coaching education.
 - The Coach leads training sessions and is present at all matches and team activities.
 - Training sessions must be run in a structured manner, stressing soccer skills and tactics.
 - The coach must explain and fairly apply expectations, including attendance and behavior.
 - The coach is responsible for knowledge and compliance of the laws of the game as defined by YSC and ASA/USYS/FIFA.
- Coaches should communicate honestly and professionally with players about their progress. The Club encourages player-coach or player-parent-coach conferences and evaluations.

PLAYING TIME

- Playing time is not guaranteed and is at the sole discretion of the coach.
- Playing time is affected by factors including: attendance, attitude, effort, physical fitness and ability level; payment of fees and other unique situations.

EXPECTATIONS OF PARENTS

- Parents must provide positive support to the players, coach and team and act in an orderly manner at all times.
- Parents are encouraged to pursue fundraising that will benefit the team..
- Parents are to enable their player's participation in every team event unless prevented by injury or illness.
- Parents and spectators are not permitted to coach or instruct from the sidelines. Positive encouragement is welcome.
- Only individuals listed on official game rosters may sit in or near the team area.
- A coach or team can be penalized or removed because of the misconduct of a parent, player or spectator.
- Parents and players should feel free to communicate with the coach and ask questions in accordance with the "24 Hour Rule" described below.

COMMUNICATIONS: The 24 Hour Rule.

A concern with the coach and parent/player may be effectively addressed with this policy.

1. Wait 24 hours before initiating communications with coaches or team managers.
2. If the problem persists, contact the coach directly.
3. If the issue is not satisfactorily resolved, contact the DOC.

TEAM COMMUNICATIONS

Coaches work with the Team Manager to keep parents informed via text, phone, e-mail and GroupMe chat. Group messages should ONLY be used to distribute factual, relevant information. Arguments, insults, profanity and negative posts will not be tolerated. Please understand that last- minute changes such as field closures may be outside of YSC's control.

FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS

Each registered player assumes a two-part financial obligation:

- a. **Club registration fee** due by August 1, which include state registration, insurance, league, referee, facility, equipment and admin expenses.
- b. **Team fees** due by the 1st day of specified months, which include tournament entry, coach pay, team and player supplies, special training and miscellaneous team expenses. Team fees are due in full or in payments by auto pay with a debit or credit card.

Teams that participate in additional tournaments, camps, summer training or scrimmages must be prepared to cover the costs associated with those events.

Non-payment or late payment risks player eligibility. Players removed from the Club for non-payment or early release may be placed in bad standing until debts, including financial awards, are settled.

PLAYER’S CODE OF CONDUCT

As a player, your actions reflect upon yourself, your team and the Yavapai Soccer Club.

Players are expected to:

- Conform to the rules established by the coach and the Club;
- Respect the coach's decisions and follow his/her instructions;
- Not engage in inappropriate, offensive, illegal or dangerous behaviors;
- Treat others with respect both on and off the field;
- Follow nutritional guidelines as set forth by the coach;
- Not smoke, drink alcohol, or use illicit drugs;
- Participate in all practices, games, tournaments and team events except in the case of injury or illness;
- Arrive early and wear appropriate training gear and uniform to all team activities;
- Care for your uniform, Club equipment and fields;
- Follow the “24-hour rule” on communication.

DISCIPLINE

Violations of this Select Player and Parent Agreement that cannot be resolved between the parent, player and coach will be reported to the DOC. Disciplinary action may include a warning, personal apology, suspension and/or expulsion from the Club.

As a member of the Club, parents and players are responsible and held accountable for their own actions.

By giving my digital or physical consent, I verify that I have read and understand the expectations of the parent and player as described in this Parent- Player Agreement.

Parent name Parent signature

Player name Player signature

Date