

Escondido Soccer Club

Coaches Code of Conduct

As a coach or assistant coach I agree to follow the principles of sportsmanship, fair play and mutual respect as set forth by Cal South and administered by the Escondido Soccer Club amongst its players, coaches, officials, and spectators. I agree to follow the rules regarding team formation, and will not engage in any willful failure to follow league rules.

I am in charge of my sideline during games and I am responsible for monitoring the behavior of the players, parents and spectators. I will not engage in any unsportsmanlike behavior, nor tolerate such action from my sideline, which could include berating or making unkind comments to a player or referee, which would reasonably be expected to cause substantial embarrassment to the player or referee. For no reason shall there ever be any physical contact between a player, coach, or spectator and a game official. This will result in the immediate suspension of the game, and further disciplinary action will be administered by the Rules and Disciplinary Committee of the Escondido Soccer Club.

At no time are the parents or coaches allowed on the field of play during a game without the permission of the referee.

The referee is the sole authority on the field of play, and this authority is before, during, and after the game; and his or her decisions are final. Comments can be made to the Director of Recreation, but games cannot be protested during the regular season. A protest may be made in the playoffs, but only for improper administration of the Laws of the Game. If the Director of Recreation finds it necessary to come to the aid of the referee during a game, the Director of Recreation has the authority to stop the game at that point, and the result will be reviewed by the Rules and Disciplinary Committee. Their decision will be final. If the coach disagrees with the finding, he has the option of appealing to Cal South on the matter.

As a coach I need to know the official "Laws of The Game" of soccer and the rules of Cal South and abide by them. In addition, I agree to familiarize myself with the guidelines, policies, and procedures of the Escondido Soccer Club, which will be available on the night of the coach's meetings.

Failure to follow these rules may result in one or more of the following disciplinary actions:

- 1 Suspension of one or more games
- 2 Expulsion from the club

_____ Coach \ Assistant Coach Print	_____ Date
_____ Coach \ Assistant Coach Signature	_____ Date
_____ Team	_____ Age / Group