



Willamette United Soccer Club Player Parent Conduct Agreement

I, _____ of team _____
(please print player's name) (please print player's team name)

have read and understand the following code of conduct, and I agree to follow these principles. *Every player who competes as a member of the Willamette United Soccer Club is expected to follow a code of conduct that promotes healthy competition, sportsmanship, accountability, and overall good citizenship within the community. To fulfill this expectation, every **player** and his or her parent(s) are required to agree to the following:*

- ▶ Players will not argue with a linesperson or referee.
- ▶ Players will obey all rules of the team and Willamette United and will adhere to the laws of the game.
- ▶ Players will stand respectfully with either their hands at their side or their right hand over their heart during play of the national anthem before any game.
- ▶ Players will accept victory with class, and defeat with the same class.
- ▶ Players will treat teammates, coaches, opponents, and officials with respect.
- ▶ Players will praise players on both teams for good play.
- ▶ Players will not ridicule or taunt opposing players.
- ▶ Players will be aware that inappropriate behavior at practices, games, team and Club events -- including tournaments-- is prohibited. This includes any use of alcoholic beverages, foul language, substance abuse, violent or destructive behavior, etc.
- ▶ Players will play for the enjoyment of the sport.
- ▶ Players will win through skill, effort, good tactics and clean play.
- ▶ Players will be at all practices and games on time or communicate as early as possible to their coach the reason for their absence.

*To fulfill the needs of their players every **parent** agrees to the following:*

- ▶ Parents will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
- ▶ Parents will be familiar with the Willamette United Player Code of Conduct and ensure that they assist in making sure that their player is able to support their players goals and need to be timely, properly equipped and a part of their team.
- ▶ Parents will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of their child or the safety of others.
- ▶ Parents will learn the rules of the game and the policies of Willamette United.
- ▶ Parents and their guests will be a positive roles model for children and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game, practice or other sporting event.
- ▶ Parents will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as booing and taunting; refusing to shake hands; or using profane language or gestures.

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- ▶ Parents will teach their child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
- ▶ Parents will demand that their child treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
- ▶ Parents will teach their child that doing one's best is more important than winning so that their child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or their performance.
- ▶ Parents will praise their child for competing fairly and trying hard, and make my child feel like a winner every time.
- ▶ Parents will never ridicule or yell at their child or other participant for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- ▶ Parents will emphasize skill development and practices and how they benefit my child over winning. Parents will also deemphasize games and competition in the lower age groups.
- ▶ Parents will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire they may have for their child to win.
- ▶ Parents will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game field or away from the game field, and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place.
- ▶ Parents will demand a sports environment for their child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and parents and players will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
- ▶ Parents will refrain from coaching their child or other players during games and practices, unless they are one of the official coaches of the team. Parents will remain away from the team and coaching side of the field to prevent any misunderstanding about roles.

Player's Signature Date

Parent's Signature Date

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