

CLMSA CODE OF CONDUCT POLICY

Through becoming a member of CLMSA I have accepted the terms and conditions of membership, whether I have actually read them or not, and am therefore subject to CLMSA rules and regulations.

COACHES

- Will be prepared and organized to run a practice or play a game
- Will ensure the site is safe at all times
- Will be prepared to act quickly in the case of an emergency
- Will avoid placing participants in situations presenting unnecessary risk
- Will strive to preserve the future health and well-being of participants
- Will foster self-esteem among participants
- Will avoid situations that may affect objectivity or impartiality of coaching duties
- Will ensure that everyone is treated fairly regardless of race, sex, creed or ability
- Will maintain dignity in all circumstances and exercise self-control
- Will aim to compete fairly
- Will respect officials and accept their decisions without question
- Will respect the principles, rules and policies of CLMSA
- Will show respect for all players, staff , officials and spectators
- Will never take part in a practice or game while under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol
- Will provide each player with equitable playing time as explained in the CLMSA bylaws

PARENTS

- Will not force their children to play soccer
- Will do their best to help their child fulfill their team commitments
- Will encourage their child to play by the rules, in the spirit of fair play and sportsmanship, and respect the decision of game officials
- Will never question the officials judgement in public or in front of their child, recognizing that officials are being developed in the same manner as players
- Will not coach, give instruction to, or ridicule any player from the sideline, no matter what the situation
- Should give praise to players, including the opposition, for good performances, hard work and fair play
- Will adhere to a 24 hour cooling off period before discussing any grievance or concern
- Will first approach the team manager if they have an issue or concern. Failing resolution from that point, the chain of inquiry shall be coach, Director, and if warranted by the Director, CLMSA executive
- Will never attend a game or practice while under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol
- Will address problems and concerns calmly, seeking solutions at a proper time and location.
- Will not approach the coaching staff during a game
- Will show respect for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at all times
- Will not take part in any form of bullying
- Will support coaches and officials in order to encourage an enjoyable experience for all

ATHLETES

- Will ensure that everyone is treated equally regardless of race, sex, creed or ability
- Will avoid swearing ,abusive language and irresponsible behaviour, including behaviour that is dangerous to yourself and others, acts of violence, bullying, harassment and physical and sexual abuse
- Will refrain from public criticism of other athletes, coaches or officials
- Will treat opponents with due respect in both victory and defeat
- Will participate in a manner that ensures safety of athletes, coaches, officials and spectators
- Will never attend a game or practice while under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol

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SOCIAL MEDIA

During the course of participation in CLMSA, including training, travel and competitions, members are to refrain from uploading content to, or participating in, social media activities in the following situations; including but not limited to:

- Posting explicit pictures and/or inflammatory language that can be linked to the program, staff, volunteers, athletes and/or competitions
- Criticism of any association, executive member, coach, athlete, official, other team staff, volunteer or parent
- CLMSA does not regulate, restrict or direct the private or personal views or opinions of individuals. When making a public comment, it is the responsibility of the individual to clearly indicate that the comments are personal or private views or opinions

I realize that failure to abide by this code of conduct may result in removal of myself from the vicinity of the playing field and potentially further sanctions from CLMSA.

Signature: Coach _____

Parent _____ Athlete _____

Name _____ Date _____

Team/Age Group _____