



Roaring Fork Valle Soccer Club (RFVSC)

Code of Conduct

Summary of Clubs' Rules

Acts of violence by players: Swearing, spitting, punching, hitting, jumping at, or other acts that threaten any player during practice or games will not be tolerated. If this occurs during practice the player will be asked to sit 25 yards from the field being used by the team and a written letter signed by the player and parent must be issued to the club in order for the player to return to play with the team. Red cards or inappropriate actions by a player as determined by the coach or referee during a game will result in player suspension from the game that they are currently playing in and the following two matches. A player with a game(s) suspension is still required to be present at all practices.

Use of tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, or illegal drugs results in a loss of athletic eligibility for the next two matches. If the problem persists they will be removed from the team and the club with no refund.

Our athletes are an important ambassador of the Roaring Fork Valley Soccer and the community of our Valley. They have a responsibility to behave in a manner consistent with their position as a positive role model for others.

School suspensions for behavioral or attendance problems will result in loss of athletic eligibility for the next two scheduled matches. A player with a game(s) suspension is still required to be present at all practices.

Club's philosophy regarding playing time is as follows:

For regular season games, coaches will strive for equal playing time among the players, but it will be at the discretion of the coaches based on attitude, attendance and participation at practice. For tournaments, the amount of playing time will be at the discretion of the coaches based upon attitude, skill level, attendance and participation at practice, and particular game situation.

Tournament Teams: Depending on the coaches availability and level of interest, there may be a competitive tournament team chosen out of the all of the players in each age bracket. This is a competitive team and players will be chosen by the coaches and based on skill level, attitude and perhaps most importantly, the position needed. Unlike during the regular season, these tournaments are highly competitive and we will play and coach accordingly.

Players' Code of Ethics

Play for the fun of it, not just to please your parents or coach.

Play by the Laws of the Game.

Never argue with or complain about referees' calls or decisions.

Control your temper. Most of all, resist the temptation to retaliate when you feel you have been wronged. Always practice self-control on and off of the soccer field.

Concentrate on playing soccer with your best efforts. Work equally hard for your team as for yourself.

Be a good sport by cheering all good plays, whether it's your team or your opponent's. Treat all players, as you would like to be treated.

Remember that the goals of the game are to have fun, improve you skills and feel good. Be a team player and support all your teammates on and off of the field.

Cooperate with your coaches, teammates, opponents and the referees and please show up at both games and practices ON TIME.

_____ Player _____ Date

Parents' Code of Ethics

Support your child by giving encouragement and showing interest in their team. Help your child work toward skill improvement and good sportsmanship in every game. **Teach your child** that hard work and an honest effort are often more important than victory - that way your child will always be a winner despite the outcome of the game. Please provide a #4 soccer ball for your child to practice his skills at home.

Be a positive role model. Applaud good plays by your child's team as well as good plays by the opposing team. Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from youth sports activities.

Remember that your child is the one playing soccer, not you. It's very important to let your child establish their own goals - to play the game for themselves. Children play for the fun of playing.

Find something positive in your child's efforts. Every soccer player makes mistakes and can learn from them. Encourage your child's efforts and point out the good things your child accomplished during play.

Don't be a sideline coach or referee. Coaches and referees are usually parents just like you. They volunteer their time to help make you child's youth soccer experiences a positive one. They need your support too. Also, during games, parents are asked to root for their team on the opposite side of the field as their team. This is a club rule and Coaches will remind you at game time.

Volunteer for the Roaring Fork Valley Soccer Club. Your involvement with your child's team and the club is mandatory for us to execute our club's mission statement. You must take an active roll with the club and or team as a volunteer. The team Manager will be organizing the parent volunteers.

I (we) have read this document and understand my responsibilities as a parent and volunteer to the Roaring Fork Valley Soccer Club.

I understand that I am responsible for all fees due by the player as well as his or her transportation to 2 or more practices per week and transportation to and from games and tournaments.

_____ Parent/Guardian _____ Date

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Coaches' Code of Ethics

Support and practice the Roaring Fork Valley Soccer Club philosophy for Competitive Soccer. They consist of the following: Good sportsmanship, self-control and positive coaching.

Be reasonable in your demands on a young player's time, energy, enthusiasm and performance on the field. Impress on you players that they must abide by the Laws of the Game at all times.

Develop team respect for the ability of opponents and for the judgement of referees and opposing coaches.

Ensure that your players' soccer experience is one of fun and enjoyment (winning is only part of it). Players should never be yelled at or ridiculed for making mistakes or losing a game. Focus on player development as well team success.

Set a good example and be generous with your praise when it is deserved. Children need a coach that they respect.

Keep informed of sound principles of coaching, growth and child development.

Check your equipment and playing facilities. They should meet safety standards and be appropriate for the age and ability for your players.

Follow the advice of a physician when determining when an injured child is ready to play again.

----- Coach _____ Date

_____ Team Manager _____ Date

_____ Co-Coach or Assistant Coach
_____ Date

