



QSA Code of Conduct

The purpose of this Code of Conduct is to ensure that all participants adhere to standards of behaviour that promote a positive and respectful environment. By following these guidelines, we can ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone involved.

1. General Behaviour

- Treat teammates, opponents, coaches, and spectators with respect and kindness at all times. Any form of bullying, harassment, or unsportsmanlike behaviour will not be accepted.
- If you arrive early or it is not your designated participation time, do not interfere with any ongoing practice. This includes taking shots in the goals that are close to or being used by the present group. As you await your time, it is ok to practice with a ball that is not being used by the current group, so long as your activity does not pose a safety risk to others. Kicking a ball close to spectators is not allowed. Please always play with yours and the safety of others in mind.
- Follow the instructions of your coach at all times. Maintain focus and respect during all activities.

Disruptive behaviour will not be tolerated. This includes but is not limited to:

- talking while the coaches are talking,
- repeatedly not listening to the coaches' instructions,
- moving/throwing equipment,
- any negative behaviour towards another participant which may include name-calling or physical interference.

2. Sportsmanship

Play fairly and with integrity. Follow the rules of the game and accept the referee's decisions.



3. Safety

Wear appropriate gear including shin guards and proper footwear. Follow all safety guidelines and inform coaches of any injuries or health concerns immediately. Do not interfere with any equipment as this may cause harm to you or others.

4. Commitment and Participation

Attend sessions regularly and be punctual. Give your best effort during all activities and be willing to learn and improve.

5. Discipline and Consequences

Understand that disruptive behaviour as outlined above may result in disciplinary action, which could include:

- sitting out part or all of the session,
- a warning,
- a temporary suspension,
- immediate removal from the program.

Parents/Caregivers will be informed when a behavioural incidence has been noted. An incident report may also be indicated, depending on the severity of the behaviour.

The outcome of the incident will be determined by the Lead Coach and where possible, a plan agreed with the caregiver to support the improvement of the participants behaviour and their participation in the program.

In the unlikely event that a participant is removed from the program due to behavioural issues, a refund will not be granted.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.



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