



FC Missoula Soccer Club

CODE OF CONDUCT

Players participating in the FC Missoula Soccer Club are exercising a privilege afforded them to become better soccer players. In order to do so, players must exhibit the mental maturity to be successful in this pursuit. Thus, the following conduct guidelines and discipline rules shall apply in all activities within the FC Missoula Soccer Club

PLAYER GUIDELINES:

1. Treat all opponents, officials and supporters with proper respect.
2. Accept all coaching decisions during the game without question.
3. Treat all teammates and coaches with due respect.
4. Show a proper attitude during practices, pre-game preparation and games.
5. Refrain from profane language both on and off the field.
6. The player's coach will handle the first incident resulting in a red card. Any player receiving a second red card will be referred to the player committee for its review and action.
7. All players should win with humility and lose with grace.
8. FC Missoula soccer players should always attempt to exhibit the most positive image possible, both on and off the field. Remember that you represent the soccer club – your team and your teammates. You should do nothing that would discredit or embarrass them.

DISCIPLINARY RULES IN OR OUT OF TOWN:

1. Substance use and/or possession thereof (drugs, alcohol, and/or tobacco) is cause for immediate dismissal from the next game and subject to review by the necessary disciplinary board within the club.

Note: It is your responsibility to prevent situations from occurring and avoiding situations that do occur. Don't allow anyone, including your roommates, to bring these substances into your room. You should leave any time substances are present!!! You must take total responsibility for your actions.

2. Persistent irresponsible and disrespectful behavior is cause for immediate dismissal from the team/club for the remainder of the current season.
3. Destruction of property or violation of state or federal laws is cause for immediate dismissal from the team/club for the remainder of the current season. Any and all damages occurred to the transportation company and/or hotels and/or other property are the sole responsibility of the player or players involved.
4. Whenever travel involves doing so in a group – such as by bus, airplane, etc., proper behavior and respect for others and their property is a must. Whenever travel involves lodging, respect for lodging property is expected. Behavior in hotel rooms, hallways, etc. must always be in a gentlemanly or ladylike manner. This means loud noises, running or horseplay will not be tolerated. Rooms will be kept neat and tidy at all times and be subject to inspection.
5. Failure to comply with any and all team/club rules (curfew, attendance, dress code, schedules, etc.) may be cause for loss of playing time. Persistent failure will be cause for dismissal from the team/club for the remainder of the current season and could affect a player's future participation.

Note: If dismissal from the team/club occurs while traveling, the player will remain with the team until the team returns home. No reimbursement of program fees will be made to the dismissed player or the player's family.

PARENTS' AND SUPPORTERS' GUIDELINES:

1. Leave the coaching to the coaches.
2. Avoid verbal and physical conflicts with game officials, coaches, players, and Supporters.
3. Allow your player to work out his/her own soccer problems with the coach.

Grievances with the coach should be worked out in private away from the field and away from other players and parents.

4. Parents/Supporters must refrain from using illegal drugs, alcohol, and/or tobacco at the FC Missoula Soccer Complex and other soccer fields.

TEAM GUIDELINES:

Coaches have the option to draft a letter or a code of conduct specifically for their teams to adhere to their specific team needs and coaching desires in addition to the above-mentioned guidelines.

Remember: These rules serve as guides. The best guide is for you to guide your actions with maturity, common sense and courtesy.

*****THINK BEFORE YOU ACT*****

AFTER ALL - SOCCER IS A GAME OF THINKING!

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, HAVE READ, UNDERSTAND, AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE ABOVE RULES AND GUIDELINES. WE ALSO AGREE TO ACCEPT ACTIONS TAKEN FOR FAILURE TO ABIDE BY THESE GUIDELINES AND RULES!

Player's Signature

Date

Parent/Legal Guardian's Signature

Date