

BYSA Coaches Code of Conduct

1. **FUN** - Remember that children play for fun and enjoyment. Always place the emotional and physical well being of players ahead of any personal desire to win.
2. **LEARN** - Achieve a thorough understanding and acceptance of the rules of the game. Be aware of any modified rules that may vary for opposing clubs.
3. **EFFORT** - Be dedicated to staying current with coaching related education. Constantly try to improve your coaching methods by attending instructional clinics as well as coach licensing courses. Make a commitment to educate yourself on positive coaching principles and the principles of the growth and development of children.
4. **TEAMWORK** - The role of the coach is to teach the game to the players. Use team play to accomplish your objectives. It takes effort from every player, parent and coach to be successful as a team.
5. **SPORTSMANSHIP** - Personally commit to teaching and practicing good sportsmanship and fair play. Emphasize and promote the ideals of ethical conduct. Lead by example.
6. **RESPECT** - Always show respect for all players, coaches, fans and referees. Never ridicule children for making mistakes or losing a game. Respectfully address the referees at the proper time.
7. **BEHAVIOR** - Promote positive attitudes. Maintain control of your actions and emotions at all times. Realize that your personal behavior is representative of BYSA and the community as a whole. No player, coach, or parent of BYSA shall engage in or knowingly tolerate any behavior such as harassment, intimidation, bullying or cyber bullying on or off the field as it relates to any teammates, other youth, other teams, referees, or coaches.
8. **ACCOUNTABILITY** - Be accountable for all issued equipment, and notify the club of poor field conditions, and general safety concerns.
9. **READINESS** - Be prepared for all training sessions, games and club events. As coach, timeliness is essential. Communicate to your team and parents weekly schedules and any change in schedule.
10. **RESPONSIBILITY** - In no way promote bad behavior. Take whatever action necessary to control the actions of spectators. The coach will be responsible for the control of emotions on the sidelines.
11. **SAFETY** - Take all reasonable precautions to insure the safety of each team member. Follow the advice of the parent, and when applicable a physician, when determining if an injured player is ready to play again. Be aware of players that may have special needs.