

## **Southwest United Player Code of Conduct**

- 1. I will practice and encourage fair play with all players, coaches, match officials and parents at every match, training session and event.
- 2. I realize that I have a responsibility as a member of a team sport and will do my best to support the team throughout the season. I will always put forward my best effort.
- 3. I will be on time and attend every training session, match and team event that I can, and will give my team staff reasonable notice if I am unable to attend.
- 4. I will do my best to listen and learn from my team staff and club officials. I will treat not only my team staff but also all team staff, players and match officials with respect and I will expect to be treated with respect in return.
- 5. I will respect the decisions of team staff and match officials with maturity, and will abide by Southwest United rules. If I disagree with a decision, I will wait 24 hours to speak to the team staff directly to express my views in a respectful manner, or I will speak to my parents who may act on my behalf.
- 6. I deserve to play in an alcohol, drug and tobacco-free environment and expect all participants to respect my wishes. I will refrain from using drugs, alcohol or tobacco products prior to all games and practices.
- 7. I will encourage my parents to be involved and support my team and me in some capacity, as it is important to me.
- 8. I will remember that soccer is an opportunity to learn and to have fun. I deserve to have fun during my soccer season and will alert parents or coaches if it stops being an enjoyable experience.
- 9. I will agree to refrain from foul language, taunting, and talking disrespectfully. I will not accept or participate in physically, verbally and/or emotionally bullying any player. This includes social media and on-line postings. If I am aware, will bring any bullying behaviour to the attention of my team staff.

10. I acknowledge that all persons and especially children and young people have a right to be protected from abuse regardless of their age, gender, disability, culture, language, racial origin, religious beliefs or sexual orientation.

I understand that failure to comply with the above may result in my temporary suspension of playing privileges, or removal from Southwest United.

By entering my name next to this document, I acknowledge that I have read and agree to this code of conduct.