



Region 1455 Coaches Pledge

Name (First & Last) _____

Division(s) Coaching: _____

League Management:

If I have an issue during the season, I will contact my Division Coordinator & copy the Regional Coach Administrator at rca@ayso1455.org (coach issues) or the Referee Administrator (referee issues) at rra@ayso1455.org. I will also cc: Tony at rc@ayso1455.org. Initial

Team Management:

- ☐ I understand I need to have a parent meeting to inform the parents about the season & my expectations.
- ☐ I understand that the parents of my team must sign a Parent Code of Conduct Form.
- ☐ I understand that two league approved background checked & safe-havened adults need to be at the field at all times (this could include a registered team parent).
- ☐ I will not invite a person that has not been directly approved to help in any manner on the field, even if they are a "nice person" or if they said they used to be a coach.
- ☐ I will not allow a non-AYSO player to practice on my field or with my team.
- ☐ I realize due to liability reasons, no adults can play on the field with the players
- ☐ I will only use registered players from my team & agree to not alter rosters/line up cards if I am short-handed. (For 8U and below, opposing team players only may be borrowed).

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Sidelines:

- ☐ I understand that it is my responsibility as a coach to keep my parents in check. Parents should only be cheering & not providing instructions to the players, nor communicating with the referees. I will communicate this at the team meeting & throughout the season, if needed.
- ☐ I will not enter the field of play unless a referee signals for me & I will remind parents that they are not allowed to enter the field, as well.
- ☐ If I have an issue with the opposing coach, I will contact Neal (our coach administrator) to follow up with the issue.
- ☐ I will remind my parents that dogs are not allowed at the fields (even if being held) & will ask for the dog to be removed immediately as this can affect our permit status.
- ☐ I acknowledge that earrings are not allowed to be worn on the field, even if bandaged/covered. I will make sure my team follows these rules.

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Referees:

- ☐ I understand that this is a 100% volunteer organization & each team needs (7u & older) to provide referees to cover other games during the season. A certain amount of points,

which represent coverage must be met by parent volunteers on your team, or your team will not qualify for the **INVITATIONAL** post season tournaments. No exceptions.

- ☐ Referees are not perfect. I understand that they are all volunteers & without them, the game would be cancelled. I will show the utmost respect to the referees that volunteer their time for my game. If I have a complaint, I will email our RRA to handle it.
- ☐ **There is ZERO tolerance for adult or youth referee abuse or commenting to a youth referee.** I understand that I will be brought in by the disciplinary team & suspended if it is found that I abused a referee in any way. I am allowed to ask what is the call, but not to question the call, nor try to argue it.
- ☐ I understand that I am also responsible for my parents on the sideline when it comes to the treatment of referees & will pledge to protect ALL referees.

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Practices:

- ☐ I understand that I may only practice at the assigned time & field.
- ☐ I understand that I may use the goals at the field, but must lock them up after practice.
- ☐ I understand that I should end practices by 5 minutes before the next practice begins.

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Games:

- ☐ I understand that I should have my players arrive at a 30 minute minimum before the start of the game (depends on age of players).
- ☐ I understand that most games cannot be rescheduled. Due to how many people rescheduling affects and when I get my schedule, I will immediately let the league know if there are any big issues.
- ☐ I understand that I need approval from RCA to cancel a game.
- ☐ I understand that I may not alter the format or rules of the game.
- ☐ I understand that ALL players play 3 quarters before any play 4 and that I should rotate 2 quarter players throughout the season (if the numbers don't allow for 3)

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Conclusion:

- ☐ As a coach, I agree to focus on development over winning.
- ☐ As a coach, I will remember that there are two sets of kids playing the game & will do my best to take a proactive approach to avoid any blowouts during the season.
- ☐ I understand, when standings are kept, there is a three-goal max differential per game. This means that I get the exact same credit for a 3-0, 10-0 & 100-0 game. Blowouts are NEVER needed to advance my team & I will do my very best to keep the game from becoming a blowout, while showing respect to the weaker team.
- ☐ I will remember at all times that I am coaching children & expected to provide a fun, fair & safe environment for the kids.
- ☐ I realize that this is youth rec soccer, not the World Cup.

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I understand and agree to all of the above for the season:

Please Sign your Name:

Date: