

DARLINGTON SOCCER CLUB

COACH CODE OF CONDUCT

I am committed to improving the performance of the players and the team, physically and mentally.

I will provide a positive atmosphere.

I will be acquainted with Darlington Soccer Club's Rules and Regulations and Policies and Procedures and will keep attuned to the sound principles of coaching.

I will respect all individuals as unique human beings.

I will coach Players to win within the Laws of the Game.

I will be enthusiastic and positive. I will ensure I am generous with my praise when deserved.

I will maintain high standards of personal conduct and fair play. I will never make insulting, offensive, abusive or sexual remarks.

I will treat players with respect and help them, as athletes, to develop a positive self-image. Physical or verbal abuse demeaning to players is unacceptable and will not be tolerated.

I will not ridicule or yell at players for making mistakes or for performing poorly.

I will remember that participants need a coach they can respect.

I will display respect for the referee and his/her decisions at all times. Abuse of the referee is unacceptable and will not be tolerated.

I will be a good role model – no smoking, alcohol, drugs, and abusive language at practices, games and tournaments.

I will dress appropriately and respectably when attending games/practices and tournaments.

I will be selective in the amount of instructions I give players during the game.

I will be reasonable when scheduling practices, remembering that the players and their families have other obligations.

I will inform parents/guardians of any injuries their son/daughter may have suffered.

I will ensure that the players wear shin pads, and appropriate foot wear at all times. Injuries will be avoided by not overworking players. I will show concern for the physical safety of players at all times.

I will respect and support the Darlington Soccer Club Inc, and all its members, and in doing so, will work in cooperation for the good of the Club.

Remember that winning is desirable, but winning at any cost defeats the purpose of the game. Losing can be a triumph when the team has given its best. Development of the player's skills and as people should always receive priority consideration.