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## **CODE OF CONDUCT, ATTITUDE AND EXPECTATION**

PARENT AGREEMENT

Our purpose is to provide an outstanding environment for young student-athletes to develop as soccer players and people, while promoting values of good sportsmanship, teamwork, achievement, a commitment to excellence, self-confidence and fun for players and their families through the game of soccer. The conduct of players, coaches, family members and spectators is critical to this process. Considering the thousands of people involved with Maryland United, the instances of poor conduct each year are remarkably few. These few instances, however, we will not tolerate. Civility, decency and respect are concepts that we all should embrace and understand.

## **RESPECT**

- All coaches, parents, players, teammates, officials and opponents will be treated with respect. We need a respectful and
  supportive family atmosphere among all teams, parents, players and coaches. Divisive behavior, negativity, bad-mouthing
  coaches and officials, creating drama or negative rumors will not be tolerated. Through all the ups and downs we all need to
  maintain our perspective, have a strong club spirit, and enjoy the process.
- Parents must always serve as a positive role model for each and every child.

## SIDELINE BEHAVIOR AND NO COACHING

- All parents must represent themselves and their families with class. Absolutely no coaching, instruction or obsessive ranting can be tolerated from the sidelines. At times it can be very difficult but you must maintain your poise and refrain from bad mouthing the officials, opposing players and parents. Support, cheering and praise are highly encouraged.
- Parents must place the emotional and physical well being of all players ahead of any personal desire to win.

## QUESTIONS/CONCERNS

- It is the primary responsibility of the player (u-13 and above) to contact the coach regarding issues such as playing time, position, performance feedback, tactics, formations, self-training ideas. Player-Parent-Coach conferences can be scheduled midweek to seek further clarification in regard to player evaluation, performance, and role on the team.
- Both the parents and the player should be part of the meeting with the coach to discuss the college recruiting process.
- We respectfully ask 24 hours immediately after a game or during a tournament weekend to not approach the coach if there any questions about player development concerns.
- If you have other concerns or questions please contact:
  - 1) your coach,
  - 2) the club's director of coaching, and/or
  - 3) the club president.

Hopefully the contact will provide you with the correct information. However, we will not tolerate any divisive behavior or constantly second guessing decisions which will disrupt the team or program. Failure to be supportive of the program will result in your daughter being asked