



## ASA Parent Code of Conduct

The Arizona Soccer Association strives to provide the best possible environment for youth players and play an important role in promoting the physical, social, and emotional development of young people. Therefore, it is essential for parents, coaches, spectators, and officials to encourage youth athletes to embrace the values of good sportsmanship. Furthermore, parents, spectators, and officials involved in youth sports events should be models of good sportsmanship and should lead by example by demonstrating fairness, respect, and self-control. The Arizona Soccer Association is committed to establishing an environment that is safe and fosters optimal learning opportunities for all our players.

To maintain the reputation of a learning environment, ASA has formulated this Code of Conduct and requires that you commit to be responsible for your words and actions while attending, officiating, or participating in ASA and that you conform your behavior to the following Code of Conduct:

As a parent/spectator,

1. I will treat coaches, players, opponents, referees, spectators, and all other individuals with respect.
2. I will not engage in any behavior which would endanger the health, safety, or wellbeing of any coach, parent, player, participant, referee, or any other attendee.
3. I will not use drugs, alcohol or tobacco products while involved in any youth soccer activities, whether training, attending, or officiating games.
4. I will not use profanity, obscenity, or any other offensive language.
5. I will not use hate speech that includes specific or inferred racial, sexual orientation, religious orientation referenced language.
6. I will endeavor to ensure that no parents, spectators, or anyone associated with my team use profanity, obscenity, or any other offensive language.
7. I will endeavor to ensure that no parents, spectators, or anyone associated with my team use hate speech that includes specific or inferred racial, sexual orientation, religious orientation referenced language.
8. I will not engage in verbal or physical abuse towards any coach, player, parent, spectator, participant, or official.
9. I will not engage in any behavior towards any coach, parent, player, participant, referee, or any other attendee that could be interpreted as attempts to bully or intimidate said official.
10. I will be punctual; arriving at games and practices well before the start time so that my player may have cleats, shin guards, and other training gear ready to be checked.

As a parent/spectator I will also:

1. Calmly watch play and not shout instructions to my child or other players.
2. Not question the calls of the referee or the actions of coaches.
3. Provide encouragement to all players.



As a parent/spectator I will also: (continued)

- 4. Support my child’s efforts to be on time and prepared for all training sessions, games, and other team related activities.
- 5. Make sure my child comes to training sessions and games with appropriate equipment.
- 6. Refrain from entering the team bench area and discussing issues with the team or coach unless asked to do so by a team official.

During any event sanctioned by ASA, anyone who is asked to leave the area by an official, whether or not a red card is issued, or anyone who is listed on a written complaint from an official (referee, coach, team parent, etc.,) may, after an appropriate hearing by the ASA Discipline & Rules Committee or its designated authority, be subject to the appropriate penalties including but not limited to the following minimums:

- 1. First Offense: \$50 fine and 2-week suspension from the team's games associated with the infraction
- 2. Second Offense: \$250 fine and 6-week suspension from the team's games associated with the infraction
- 3. Third Offense: \$500 fine and expulsion from all ASA games and related activities for 1 year from the date of the infraction

In the event it is necessary for police to be summoned and a police report written, suspension will be immediate and indefinite under Bylaw 242.

In the event of an incident where an individual cannot be identified or multiple individuals are at fault, all parents and spectators may be restricted from attendance at games, practices and any activities sanctioned by ASA. These penalties would be assessed after an appropriate hearing has been conducted by the ASA Discipline & Rules Committee or its designated authority.

By signing I understand the code of conduct as well as the penalties and understand that if I violate the code of conduct, I will be subject to the penalties listed.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Club Name \_\_\_\_\_