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CODE OF ETHICS CODE FOR PARENTS

Remember, young people are involved in soccer for their enjoyment, not yours.

Encourage your child always to play by the laws of the game. Teach young children that honest endeavour is as important as winning, so that the result of each game is accepted without disappointment.

Help young people to work towards skill improvement and good sportsmanship.

Set a good example by applauding good play on both sides.

Never ridicule, humiliate or shout at young players for making a mistake or losing a match.

Do not place emphasis on winning at all costs.

Do not force an unwilling child to participate in the playing of soccer. If the child is to play, he/she will do so in good time through your encouragement. There are other aspects of soccer other than playing which are equally fulfilling.

Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from soccer.

As a spectator, do not use profane language or harass referees, coaches, or players.

Do not publicly question the referees' judgement and never their honesty.

Recognise the value and importance of volunteer referees and coaches. They give of their time and resources to provide recreational activities for young people.

Encourage in your child an appreciation of mutual respect for team-mates and opponents.