

## **New Westminster Soccer Club**

PO BOX 291 720 Sixth Street New Westminster, BC V3L 3C5

## **CODE OF CONDUCT - COACH**

By signing the below, I hereby agree that:

- 1. Coaches must respect the rights, dignity and worth of each person and treat each equally within the context of the sport.
- 2. Coaches must place the well-being and safety of each player above all other considerations, including the development of performance.
- 3. Coaches must adhere to all guidelines laid down within the Constitution and the Rules of New Westminster Soccer Club.
- 4. Coaches must develop an appropriate working relationship with each player based on mutual trust and respect.
- 5. Coaches must NOT exert undue influence to obtain personal benefit or reward.
- 6. Coaches must encourage and guide players to accept responsibility for their own behavior and performance.
- 7. Coaches must ensure at the activities they direct, or advocate is appropriate for the age, maturity, experience and ability of players.
- 8. Coaches should, at the outset, clarify with the player (and, where appropriate, their parents) exactly what is expected of them and what they are entitled to expect from their coach.
- 9. Consent to a Criminal Record Check (CRC) and ensure the CRC is completed by the timelines indicated by New Westminster Soccer Club.
- 10. Commit to conducting myself and my comments in a positive, encouraging, and enthusiastic manner to encourage player self-confidence
- 11. Commit to completing the minimum certifications required for the level of coaching and continuously upgrade my coaching skills based on the required recommendations set out by New Westminster Soccer Club.

## I WILL NOT:

- 1. I will not tolerate any form of verbal or physical abuse by players against teammates, opponents, and referees.
- 2. I will not ridicule or berate my players for making mistakes or for performing poorly. I will be mindful of using sarcasm as it can be misinterpreted by youth and have adverse effects in their development. I will remember children play to have fun and must be encouraged to have confidence in themselves.
- 3. I will not question the referee's judgment, honesty, or integrity, and will refrain from yelling, or directing any negative comments, actions, or gestures toward the referee. I understand that failing to do so may result in disciplinary action by the Club or the respective league.



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If I fail to abide by the above Code of Conduct, I am aware that I will be subject to disciplinary action that could include but is not limited to the following:

- A) Verbal warning by NWSC's Technical Director, and/or member of the NWSC executive
- B) Game/practice suspension
- C) Season suspension

I have read and understood the Coach Code of Conduct, as written above, and will, to the best of my ability, adhere to these policies while attending any NWSC event:

Coach's Name (Please print clearly):	
Coach's Signature:	
Date Signed:	