

# Ozark Mountain Soccer Federation

## Parents Code of Conduct

**I hereby pledge to provide positive support, care and encouragement for my child participating in youth sports by following this Ozark Mountain Soccer Federation Parents' Code of Conduct. I will also be sure that any family members and or invited spectators follow this conduct.**

### I WILL:

- Encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches and officials at every game, practice, or other youth sports event.
- Place the emotional and physical well-being of my child ahead of a personal desire to win.
- Insist that my child play in a safe and healthy environment.
- Require that my child's coach be trained in the responsibilities of being a youth sports coach and that the coach upholds the Coaches' Code of Ethics.
- Support coaches and officials working with my child, in order to, encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all.
- Demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs and alcohol and will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
- Refrain from using tobacco products including vaping devices within 75 feet of any playing field.
- Refrain from using profane language during practices, games or any other OMSF function.
- Remember the game is for youth – not adults.
- Do my very best to make youth sports fun for my child.
- Demand my child treat others (players, coaches, fans, and officials) with respect regardless of ability, sex, race.
- Direct constructive criticism to the Town Representative or OMSF Board member and work toward a positive result for all concerned.
- Accept all decisions of the game officials, referees, and coaches on the field as being fair and called to the best ability of said officials.
- Not criticize an opposing team, its players, coaches, or fans in either spoken or gesture.
- Support coaching staff by attending all games and practices and by bringing/picking up my child on time.
- To ensure a safe and comfortable environment for all participants, spectators must adhere to the following guidelines
  - 1. No Sitting Behind Players Benches Spectators are not permitted to sit behind the players benches at any time, unless there is a physical barrier installed by the host team then spectators must be behind the physical barrier.
  - 2. Distance from Goal Line Spectators must remain at least 25 feet away from the goal line on both ends of the field and will not disturb the players.
  - 3. Distance from the Touchline Spectators must stay at least 3 feet away from the touchline on the side of the field opposite of the players benches.

These Rules are designed to ensure the safety of the players and officials, and to provide a clear space for games operations.

**If a parent or spectator is removed from a game, they must leave that game and the next scheduled/rescheduled game for that team. The coach and or town representative must report the name of the individual to the Board of Directors, and will be responsible for making sure they are not**

at the following game. If they are removed from the game they are supposed to be suspended from, that team will take a forfeit and the parent will not be allowed at any of the game for the remainder of the season

I fully understand that if I do not conduct myself in a positive and supportive manner that I may be asked to leave the facilities and be restricted from future activities for a length of time to be determined by my Town's Representatives and / or OMSF Board of Directors. Furthermore, my actions or the actions of my child may result in removal from the program, and I will not be eligible for any reimbursement.

I also acknowledge by signing this agreement I am agreeing that everybody in my household and all my invited guest will adhere to this Code of Conduct

**Ozark Mountain Soccer Federation will not tolerate verbal abuse or disruptive behavior of its Volunteer Coaches, Parents, Participants, Fans or Spectators!**

**Acknowledgement of Agreement:**

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Signature of Parent

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Signature of Town Representative