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Canterbury Soccer Club Coach/Volunteer Code of Conduct

Canterbury Soccer Club's Philosophy is:

- 1) That the children are on the field to have FUN!
- 2) That coaches teach soccer fundamentals & teamwork
- 3) We always strive to provide equal opportunity to all players to play on the fields, and in every position, regardless of skill level
- 4) We provide a safe environment on and around the field of play
- 5) Success is measured by the above & by individual improvement, not by wins & losses.

SOCCER IS A TEAM SPORT.

All you can expect the players to do is their best!

In light of our philosophy we ask that all our coaches and volunteers follow a code of conduct as described below:

As an integral part of the Canterbury Soccer Club (CSC) team I understand that:

- 1) I will foster a positive environment during practices and games. I will use positive reinforcement and language and will refrain from belittling or negative statements to players on my or any team.
- 2) I will ensure that I, or another coach is present at all games, or inform CSC if none are available. I will make every attempt to be at the field on time, or make alternate arrangements.
- 3) I will ensure that all players have equal play and practice time, regardless of ability.
- 4) I will respect all players, parents, coaches, referees, spectators and ensure my players do so as well. I will respect all referee decisions. In case of dispute, I will bring the situation to the attention of the CSC Executive through email (canterburysoccer@gmail.com).

- 5) I will refrain from encouraging my players to engage in overly-aggressive or physical play.
- 6) I will encourage players to engage in measures that prevent physical injury (such as warming up appropriately, resting when necessary, hydration, and refraining from heading the ball).
- 7) I will not use profane or vulgar language while acting as a coach for CSC.
- 8) I will refrain from smoking while on city and school property, in compliance with City of Ottawa By-Laws.
- 9) I will not use or be under the influence of alcohol or illegal substances while coaching.
- 10) I will only touch players on the arm, shoulder or back as required to teach the sport of soccer and only with permission and in plain sight.
- 11) I will not use contact information entrusted to me by the CSC for purposes other than those necessary for managing my team.

I understand that the above Code of Conduct is required to ensure the smooth delivery of Canterbury Soccer Club's programs. I understand that violation of the Code of Conduct may result in being terminated from my position with CSC.

Name:_____

Signature:_____

Date:_____