



Code of Conduct – Coach

The athlete/coach relationship is a privileged one. Coaches play a critical role in both the personal and athletic development of their players. They must understand and respect the inherent power imbalance that exists in this relationship and must be extremely careful not to abuse it. Coaches must also recognize that they are conduits through which the values and goals of a sport organization are channeled. Therefore, how an athlete regards his/her sport is often dependent on the behavior of the coach.

By accepting a position as a Volunteer Coach with Delta Coastal Selects, I agree to the following:

1. I will critique the performance of players rather than players themselves.
2. I will consistently display high personal standards and project a favorable image of soccer and coaching.
3. I will refrain from public criticism of fellow coaches.
4. I will abstain from the use of tobacco products while in the presence of my players and discourage their use by my players.
5. I will abstain from drinking alcoholic beverages when working with my players and will discourage the use of alcohol in conjunction with all DCS events.
6. I will refrain from the use of profane, insulting, harassing or otherwise offensive language in the conduct of my duties.
7. I will ensure that the activities I organize are suitable for the age, experience, ability and fitness level of my players and will educate them as to their responsibilities in contributing to a safe environment.
8. I will consider my players' future health and well-being as the foremost when making decisions regarding an injured players ability to continue playing or training.
9. I will recognize and accept when to refer athletes to other coaches or sport specialists. I will allow my players goals to take precedence over my own goals.
10. I will regularly seek ways of increasing professional development and self-awareness.





11. I will implement the coaching philosophy provided by the DCS Technical Director.
12. I will treat opponents and officials with due respect and will encourage athletes to act accordingly. I will actively encourage my players to uphold the rules of soccer and the spirit of such rules.
13. I will ensure that all of my players get equal instruction, support and fair playing time.
14. I will give active and loyal support to the DCS's core values and abide by all DCS regulations and policies together with those of the District and governing bodies.
15. Failure to comply with the above may result in temporary or permanent removal from Delta Coastal Selects.

Date _____

Coach Name _____

Team/Age Group _____

Coach Signature _____

