



RYSA Parent's Code of Ethics/Guidelines

The Parent's Code of Ethics/Guidelines is designed to provide direction and guidance for parents of Radcliff Youth Soccer Association (hereby known in this document as RYSA). Your acknowledgement of this form indicates that *you have read and understand our expectations* regarding parent conduct at practices and games. RYSA is committed to these expectations in order to have a positive and effective organization. Any parent deviating from this code of ethics may be brought before the RYSA Executive Board.

- I will encourage good sportsmanship from players, coaches, officials, and other parents at every game and practice by exhibiting positive support for everyone involved. I will support efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from youth sports activities. This includes harassing opposing team players and parents. I further understand that exhibiting this type of behavior could result in expulsion from the game and or the league. If I have concerns I will address them directly with my child's head coach.
- I will never argue with or complain about a referee's calls or decisions. I will not make derogatory comments from the bleachers or sidelines and will not ridicule the referee's calls made. I further understand that exhibiting this type of behavior could result in expulsion from the game and or the league. If I have concerns I will address them directly with my child's head coach.
- I will not place a burden on my child to win games. The purpose of youth sports is to develop physical, mental and social skills. I will do my very best to make this experience fun for my child. If I have concerns with the tactics or techniques my coaches use, I will take my concern up with the head coach and not other parents.
- I will meet with my child's coach to discuss concerns I may have, either positive or negative. I will not gossip or create a disturbance by airing my concerns with those that cannot resolve the problem (such as other parents). **If there are any issues/problems, I will submit my issue to my head coach in writing.**
 - ❖ If the problem is not resolved with the head coach, I will take the concern to the Commissioner. If the problem cannot be resolved with the Commissioner, the Commissioner will then notify the RYSA Board. All decisions made by the RYSA board are final.
- I will not send emails that are derogatory in nature regarding the association, the Board members, coaches or players, nor will I post such on social media sites. If I have concerns, I will address them using the problem resolution process. Violation of this process will result in the parent being brought before the RYSA Board.
- I will not leave my child unattended at games. My child is my responsibility, not another parent's or my child's coaches. I will be prompt (on time) with picking up my child from all practices or other activities that are performed (i.e., parades, etc...) and I will personally let the coach know if and when my child will be riding home with, or picked up by, another parent/guardian.
- I understand there will be times that my child may need to be disciplined by the head or assistant coaches (i.e., child not listening, being disruptive, etc.). This may result in sitting out at practice and or game if the

infraction so warrants.

- I acknowledge that my child must attend at least one practice during the week (day may be specified by coach) in order to participate in any upcoming game. If missing shin guards my child will not be allowed to play at that game/practice. NO EXCEPTIONS!
- I will make every effort to make sure my child is on time for every practice and game. I will notify the head coach in advance if I cannot attend the game or if I will be running late to a game or practice. If my child needs to leave a practice before it ends, I will let my child's coaches know before leaving the practice.
- I will support efforts to provide an environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol. I will refrain from their use while at Dawley Park.
- I will support the association by volunteering when needed. Volunteering will consist of concessions or fund raisers. I may be asked to provide additional assistance during the season to help the association.
- Report to the coach all injuries, special medical conditions (such as asthma) or extenuating circumstances (such as lack of sleep or family crisis) that may affect the player.
- Be kind to my child's coach, other volunteers including board members and concession workers and to the officials. The coach and board members are volunteers --giving of personal time to provide a recreational activity for your child. They are providing a valuable community service, often without reward other than their personal satisfaction. Without them your child could not participate.
- Encourage children to participate, do not force them.
- Learn the rules of the game and the policies of the organization.

Failure to adhere to the above guidelines may result in the following actions.

- For minor offenses, parents or any spectator can be asked to leave the grounds for the duration of the game or practice by a referee, coach, age group commissioner or board member.
- For repetitive offenses or offenses not considered major, but greater than minor, individuals can be banned from the games or practices for a time duration as established by the age group commissioner.
- For major offenses or continuous undesirable behavior, the board or an appointed committee will determine the punishment. Possible actions are:
 - Total ban from the games and practices
 - Removal of the player(s) from the league
 - Total ban from KYSA league and event
- All disciplinary actions can be appealed to the RYSA board. The appeal must be in writing and state the full facts of the situation, action being taken against, and the reason for the appeal.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Name - Printed