



## **Coaches Code of Conduct**

1. Strive to maintain integrity within our sport.
2. Know and follow all the rules and policies set forth by clubs, leagues, state and national associations.
3. Work in the spirit of cooperation with officials, administrators, coaches and spectators to provide the participants with the maximum opportunity to develop.
4. Be a positive role model.
5. Set the standard for sportsmanship with opponents, referees, administrators and spectators.
6. Keep sports in proper perspective with education.
7. Encourage moral and social responsibility.
8. "Just Say No" to drugs.
9. Violations of any state or federal law will be grounds for consequences from the WTSC board of directors.

\*\* As adults, we have the responsibility to set the right example for the players.

\*\* The lessons of teamwork and fair play are lost on our children when we, as adults, act inappropriately at games and practices.

Coaches who persist in violating these standards of conduct will jeopardize their standing as coaches within WTSC. Flagrant disregard for rules of play and standards of conduct will result in stringent disciplinary action, and/or complete removal from WTSC.

## **Players Code of Conduct**

1. Do not address remarks to opposing players, coaches, spectators, or referees (except when remarks convey genuine friendship and respect or are in response to questions by the referee).
2. Do not retaliate when fouled.
3. Avoid comments or gestures, which express disagreement with referees' calls (these are cardable offenses).
4. Displays of temper or disrespect will not be tolerated on the field or in the playing area.
5. Convey a consistently positive attitude toward your teammates and coaches. Your true strength of character will be displayed on the field when you are under pressure and your team is losing. What kind of person are you?
6. Play against your opponents, not the referee. Worry over referee calls with which you disagree can distract you from playing your best. Fewer than one in one hundred referee calls have any influence on the outcome of the game.
7. Violations of any school rule or state or federal law will be grounds for consequences from the WTSC board of directors.

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## **Parents/Spectators Code of Conduct**

1. Take a position on the opposite side of the field from the other team's supporters.
2. Do not address remarks to referees, opposing players or opposing fans. This does not apply where remarks convey genuine friendship and encouragement.
3. Never use foul language or obscene gestures.
4. Avoid remarks towards your own team players that make mistakes. If you are aware of the error, you may rest assured that the player is even more aware.
5. Applaud superior play by both teams.
6. Give consistent support to coaches and managers whether winning or losing. Coaches are giving hundreds of hours to their players and are committed to their own continued improvement as a coach. In winning, they deserve your congratulations; in losing, your encouragement.
7. Cooperate immediately with any referee request.
8. Always stay 2 yards or more from the playing field.
9. Avoid comments and gestures that express disagreement with referee calls. Abusive disagreement or prolonged remarks regarding a referee's call may result in a cardable offense, chargeable to your teams coach or manager.
10. Violations of any state or federal law will be grounds for consequences from the WTSC board of directors.

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Persons who cannot conduct themselves in the above manner are not welcome at WTSC soccer matches. Individuals who persist in violating these standards may be asked to leave the playing area and play may be suspended until they do so. Failure to respond to such a request within two minutes may result in the forfeiture against the offending spectator's side.

### **Commitment to Warsaw Travel Soccer Club**

I have read and understand the WTSC Code of Conduct, and I do not know of any reason that I could not be eligible to represent WTSC in events that my team chooses to participate in. If accepted as a representative, I agree to follow the rules and regulations of WTSC, and to abide by their respective decisions concerning said rules and regulations.

Student's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Coach's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_