

VILLAGE OF GLENDALE HEIGHTS

Village Policy No. 2000-01

SPORTSMANSHIP & CODE OF ETHICS

The Village of Glendale Heights believes in holding all of its participants, parents, guardians, and coaches accountable to a strict Code of Ethics when playing, watching, or coaching any activity. This is a key principle to making sports, especially youth sports, a safe, fun, and positive environment.

PROCEDURES

- 1) All individuals and organizations permitted to use Village facilities are required to adhere to the Village Sportsmanship & Code of Ethics Policy.
- 2) All parents/guardians registering children for youth sports activities which are using Village of Glendale Heights facilities are required to sign the "Parents/Guardians Code of Ethics.
- 3) All people coaching youth sports are required to be certified by the NYSCA or similar youth sports organization and sign the Coaches Code of Ethics.
- 4) Youth participants shall return the signed Code of Ethics prior to playing in the first practice.
- 5) Coaches are held responsible for their player's conduct. Parents and players are expected to demonstrate good sportsmanship.
- 6) If a player/parent/coach violates any of the items listed in the code of ethics, the program participant will be suspended from their next actual game. If this happens a second time during the season by any player/coach, the violator will be suspended for a period of one year from the date of the incident.

It will be the responsibility of the parents or guardians to review these ethics and explain to their children under the age of 8 what the Code of Ethics mean. The parent/guardian will sign the Code of Ethics on behalf of the child.

Participant Liability Waiver and Hold Harmless Agreement

Please read this form carefully and be aware that by registering for and participating in this program, or by registering your minor child/ward for participation in this program, you will be waiving your rights and/or the rights of your minor child/ward to all claims for injuries you or your minor child/ward might sustain arising out of this program and you will be required to indemnify, hold harmless and defend Glendale Heights Parks and Recreation Department for any claims arising out of participation in Youth Soccer.

Insert Program Details:

This program lasts approximately 10 weeks and will be played at various Glendale Heights parks. Injuries incurred in this program may include sprains, contusions, and muscular-skeletal injuries. As with any sport, there is an inherent risk of injuries.

Risk of Injury: "As a participant in the program, or as a parent or legal guardian of a participant under 18 years of age, I recognize and acknowledge that there are certain risks of physical injury, including but not limited to: sprains, strains, muscular/skeletal injuries, head injuries, and others and I agree to assume the full risk of injuries, including death, damages or loss which I may sustain as a result of participating in any and all activities associated with this program."

Waiver of Injury Claims: "I agree to waive and relinquish any and all claims I may have arising out of, connected with or in any way associated with the activities of the program."

Release from Liability: "I do hereby fully release and discharge the Village of Glendale Heights Recreation Department and its officers, agents and employees from any and all claims from injuries, including death, damage or loss which I or my minor child/ward may have or which may occur on account of participation in the program."

Indemnity and Defense: "I further agree to indemnify hold harmless and defend the Glendale Heights Recreation Department and its officers, agents and employees from any and all claims from injuries, including death, damages and losses sustained by me or my minor child/ward and arising out of, connected with, or in any way associated with the activities of the program."

In the event of any emergency, I authorize the public entity to secure from any licensed hospital, physician and/or medical personnel any treatment deemed reasonable and necessary for my child/minor's immediate care and agree that I will be responsible for payment of any and all medical services rendered.

I hereby acknowledge that all information submitted on this registration form is accurate. Failure to submit accurate information may result in dismissal from the program.

I have read and fully understand and agree to the above stated conditions of participation in Youth Soccer.

Print name of Participant

*Print Name of Parent or Legal Guardian
of Participant Under 18 Years of Age*

Participant's Signature

Signature

Date

Date



Youth Sports Parents Code of Character Rules of Conduct

Please read, sign and hand in when registering.

TRUSTWORTHINESS

Trustworthiness—be worthy of trust in all you do.

Integrity—live up to high ideals of ethics and sportsmanship; do what's right even when it's unpopular or personally costly.

Honesty—live and act honorably; don't allow your children to lie, cheat, steal or engage in any other dishonest or unsportsmanlike conduct.

Reliability—fulfill commitments; do what you say you will do; be on time; when you tell your children you will attend an event, be sure to do so.

Loyalty—be loyal to your team; put the team above your interests and those of your child.

Communication—the coach trusts you to inform him or her of your child's physical abilities/limitations.

RESPECT

Respect—treat people with respect at all time and require the same of your children.

Class—live and cheer with class; be gracious in victory and accept defeat with dignity; compliment extraordinary performance; and show respect for all competitors.

Disrespectful Conduct—don't engage in disrespectful conduct of any sort including profanity, obscene gestures, offensive remarks or a sexual nature, trash talking, taunting, boastful celebrations, or other actions that demean individuals or the sport.

Respect officials—treat contest officials with respect; don't complain about or argue with official calls or decisions during or after an athletic event.

Respect Coaches—treat coaches with respect at all times; recognize that they have team goals beyond those of your child. Don't shout instructions to players from the stands; let coaches coach.

RESPONSIBILITY

Role Modeling—consistently exhibit good character and conduct yourself as a role model for your children.

Self-Control—exercise self-control; don't fight or show excessive displays of anger or frustration; have the strength to overcome the temptation to demean others.

Integrity of the Game—protect the integrity of the game; don't gamble on your children's games.

FAIRNESS

Be Fair—treat all competitors fairly; be open-minded; always be willing to listen and learn.

CARING

Encouragement—encourage your children regardless of play; offer positive reinforcement. Demonstrate sincere interest in your child's play.

Concern of Others—demonstrate concern for others; never encourage the injury of any player, official or fellow spectator.

Empathy—consider the needs and desires of your child's teammates in addition to your own; help promote the team concept by encouraging all team members, understanding that the coach is responsible for determining playing time.

CITIZENSHIP

Know the Rules—maintain a thorough knowledge of all applicable game and competition rules.

Do Your Share—protect the environment. Keep your parks and playing areas neat and clean.

I have read and understand the requirements of this CODE OF CHARACTER and acknowledge that I may be forbidden from attending games or practices of I violate any of its provisions.

PARENT SIGNATURE

DATE

Players' Code of Ethics

- I will show good sportsmanship by showing respect for all coaches, officials, adults, and other players.
- I will show good sportsmanship by taking a loss or defeat without complaint.
- I will show good sportsmanship without gloating.
- I will treat my opponents with fairness, courtesy, and respect.
- I will play my best each and every game.
- I will come prepared for practices and games.
- I will follow all rules of the game and other rules that the coach requires.
- I will remember that this game is meant to be fun.

I hereby agree to abide by the code of ethics.

Player's Signature

Date