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Players Code of Conduct

Purpose

MMU is committed to providing a safe, positive, and respectful environment where every player can develop a love for the game and enjoy participating in soccer. All players are expected to treat teammates, opponents, coaches, referees, and spectators with respect.

Player Expectations

All MMU players are expected to:

- Respect Others
- Treat teammates, opponents, coaches, and officials with kindness and respect.
- Use appropriate language at all times.
- Listen when coaches or referees are speaking.
- Respect personal boundaries and stop immediately when another player asks.
- Play Fair
- Compete hard but fairly.
- Understand that physical contact should only occur within the normal course of play.
- Accept referee and coach decisions without arguing or showing disrespect.

- Demonstrate Good Sportsmanship
- Encourage teammates and celebrate their success.
- Win with humility and lose with dignity.
- Include and support all players.

Prohibited Behaviour

The following behaviours are not acceptable:

- Name-calling, teasing, or bullying.
- Swearing, insults, or inappropriate gestures.
- Pushing, grabbing, hitting, kicking, or unwanted physical contact outside normal play.
- Intentionally provoking or intimidating another player.
- Disrespect toward coaches, referees, teammates, opponents, or spectators.
- Retaliation against another player.

Progressive Discipline

MMU believes in teaching and correcting behaviour while maintaining a safe environment for all participants.

First Incident

- Verbal warning and discussion with the player.

Second Incident

- Removal from part of the practice or game.
- Parent informed by the coaching staff.

Third Incident

- Formal meeting with player, parents, and coaches.
- Behaviour expectations reviewed.

Continued or Serious Misconduct

Depending on the severity of the incident, consequences may include:

- Suspension from one or more practices.
- Suspension from games.
- Removal from tournaments or special events.
- Suspension or dismissal from the program.

Serious incidents involving bullying, threats, violence, or repeated misconduct may result in immediate escalation without following each step above.

Our Commitment

At MMU, we believe that character matters as much as skill. We expect all players to compete with passion, show respect, and help create an environment where everyone can enjoy the game and develop a lifelong love of soccer.