## ELITE CLUBS NATIONAL LEAGUE (ECNL/ECNL RL)

## **PLAYER**

- Practice attendance Attend all scheduled practices and arrive on time.
  - The player will have an opportunity to make up a practice in the event the player cannot attend due to an approved reason. The Staff Coach must be notified at least a week in advance.
  - If the player is injured, practice attendance is still required.
  - Attendance monthly measurements
    - Missing 1 practice or less player in good standings
    - Missing 2 practices player will not start
    - o Missing 3 practices One (1) game suspension
    - Missing 4 or more practices Offered a position on a team with less commitment requirements

*Note:* High School and Middle School players Spring weekday practice attendance will only be measured once their individual school's season is completed. However, throughout High School soccer season, weekend practice attendance will be measured if applicable.

- Practice arrival arrive on time
- Attendance requirements
  - Bring ball, water, and wear appropriate attire (AHFC training shirt plus appropriate shorts, socks, and shin guards)
- Game attendance Attend all games
  - The player must contact the coach at least two (2) weeks in advance if they cannot attend and must be for an approved reason
    - Missing a game for an unapproved reason will result in a one (1) game suspension.
    - Missing two (2) games will result in team movement
  - o If the player is injured, local game attendance is still required
- Game requirements
  - Arrive 45 minutes prior to the game, wear correct gear and play position requested; failure to do will impact the player's starting and play time
- Event attendance Attend all team events which includes tournaments, showcases, team pre-season activities and league events. Also included are friendlies when notice of at least one (1) week is provided.
  - During the event, whether local, within driving distance or flight, the event is exclusive, and no other activities are permitted unless preapproved by the staff coach. This includes, but is not limited to other sports, non AHFC soccer games, and amusement parks.
  - The player must contact the staff coach at least two (2) weeks in advance if they
    will not be attending. For events that require air travel, a player must contact the
    staff coach at least one (1) month in advance. Approved reasons include, but are
    not limited to, immediate family events such as weddings, graduations, births,
    and illnesses.
  - Not attending an event for an unapproved reason will result in one of the following:
    - One (1) or multiple game suspension
    - Offered a position on a team with less or no event commitments
- Travel Abide by the AHFC Travel policy (please refer to the AHFC Travel Policy)

- This includes, but is not limited to, travel arrangements and itinerary, arrival time, hotel accommodations, player code of conduct, and related expenses. Failure to meet all aspects to the travel policy will result in one or more of the following:
- Player not starting
- o One (1) game suspension
- Offered a position on a team with less or no travel commitments
- Player fees current If a player is more than 60 days past due on their fees, they will not be permitted to attend practice or other club activities. For complete payment information, please refer to the AHFC Parent & Player Handbook.
- Work on your own time to improve

## TECHNICAL STAFF (COACHES, CAMPUS DIRECTOR, AND/OR PROGRAM DIRECTOR)

- Conduct practices and all training activities
- Coach games
  - o Determine who plays, their position, and amount of playing time
- Provide player and parents feedback
  - o Provide written player evaluations twice a year
  - Highlight positive areas
  - Discuss areas of improvement with recommendations
- Work with player on college placement
- Determine tournaments to attend and communicate in advance
- Game and Event schedule
  - o Provide general season framework in June
  - o Provide details as soon as they become available by the league
- Travel agenda Provide an agenda at least one (1) week in advance

## **PLAYER ESCALATION PATH**

 $\mathsf{Coach} \to \mathsf{Campus} \; \mathsf{Director} \to \mathsf{Program} \; \mathsf{Director} \to \mathsf{General} \; \mathsf{Manager}$