



MODESTO YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION, INC

AJAX UNITED

PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

Modesto Youth Soccer Association-Ajax United operates on principles of responsibility, respect and sportsmanship. Coaches, parents and players are expected to exhibit superior levels of these principles on and off the field. Our coaching staff is an extremely valuable group of individuals. They have the difficult task of developing players and delivering results. This is not always easy as the other team is working hard to achieve the same objective. Ajax United stands firm and resolute behind its coaching staff and expects parents and family members to treat coaches with the utmost respect and the highest standard of professional courtesy. Parents must agree to the Ajax United *Parent Code of Conduct*, as defined below, as a condition of participation in the program. Penalties for violation of the Parent Code of Conduct are included with our policies outlined on our website.

Initial Please

1. _____ We agree to discuss any issues first with the Coach and follow the chain of communication escalation (Coach → Director of Coaching → Ajax Committee → MYSA Board of Directors).
2. _____ We agree to display professional courtesy and respect rules, officials, opponents, teammates and self. We must never retaliate when the opposing team has hostile or poorly behaved players and/or parents. We understand that Modesto Youth Soccer Association will take disciplinary action against unruly Ajax parents, including parent and/or player suspension or expulsion from the Club.
3. _____ We agree never to approach or accost the coaching staff immediately before, during, or after a game. We agree to schedule an appointment at the appropriate time – no less than 24 hours from the incident – to discuss concerns with the coach.
4. _____ We agree not to yell at, ridicule or publically criticize any coaches (whether from our club or another), referees, players (including our own), spectators, or other staff or officials during a game or practice. We agree to support ALL players on the field with positive and encouraging words and actions.
5. _____ We agree not to coach any of the players from the sideline at game time. We understand the team and/or players may be learning one method of play or skill and do not need to be counter-coached or second-guessed by the spectators. We agree children improve by making their own decisions and by making mistakes in the game. Let them make their own decisions, make their own mistakes, and then learn from them with the help of your positive encouragement.
6. _____ We understand playing time is at the discretion of the coach. We understand each coach is expected to develop each player and team in a constructive manner as well as maintain a competitive balance.
7. _____ We understand if we choose to leave a team, we are responsible for expenses that have been paid for but not yet attended (e.g. State Cup & Tournaments).
8. _____ We agree to make every effort to arrive on time for practice and games and understand that repeated absences may affect playing time in games.
9. _____ I have read and agree to the Ajax United parent handbook and the Ajax United policies outlined on our club website.

Player Name (print)

Team

Parent or Guardian

Date