

Durango Rapids SC Coach's Code of Conduct

Coaches must abide by the following principles of conduct and represent the Club with integrity.

1. Responsibility and Preparation

- Understand the rules of the game and ensure that players understand and follow them.
- Be **punctual and prepared** for all training sessions and games.
- Wear **appropriate attire** to all training sessions and games in accordance with club and coaching policies.
- Promote the mission, vision, and values of the club and U.S. Soccer.

2. Respect and Professionalism

- Show respect for your players and opponents.
- Support other DRSC coaches, teams, and players.
- Be **gracious in victory and dignified in defeat**.
- Coaching from the sidelines during games should be **limited and positive**.
- Do not criticize a player in front of other players.
- Do not talk to fans, opposing players, or opposing coaches during games, except to offer congratulations and assistance.
- **Use only positive, age-appropriate, and professional language at all times.**

3. Integrity and Conduct (Revised)

- **Any form of inappropriate contact, communication, or relationship with a player, in violation of club policy, will result in immediate termination.**
- Tobacco, alcohol, and non-prescription drugs are **prohibited** during all training sessions and games.
- Do not use abusive or profane language.
- Do not argue with officials or make derisive comments to or about them.

4. Reporting and Enforcement

- Report any suspected abuse, misconduct, or violation of club policy to the Director of Coaching **immediately**.
- The Director of Coaching will review the status of any coach who is ejected from a game; the DRSC Board will review a second ejection.
- Any violation of this Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action up to and including **suspension or dismissal**, as determined by the Director of Coaching and the DRSC Board.

Member Signature: _____ Date: _____