



PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

All parents are expected to conduct themselves with dignity and respect both on and off the playing field. The Club will not tolerate any unsportsmanlike, negative, inappropriate conduct, or improper behavior during training sessions, games, tournaments, or any other Club function or event (“Activity”).

As a parent of a Club player you are representing Cherry Hill FC in all Activities and are expected to do nothing that would reflect negatively on the Club. The high level of sportsmanship and respect we demand from our players starts with you. The Club expects you to set a positive example for all players. You are responsible for your own actions, and will be held accountable for them.

As a parent/guardian of Cherry Hill FC player, I hereby promise to uphold the following Code of Conduct by:

1. Reading the Players Code of Conduct and ensuring that my child understands and follows the spirit and intent of the provisions therein.
2. Exhibiting and promoting good sportsmanship at all times.
3. Conducting myself with class and dignity at all times.
4. Showing respect to Club players, coaches, and trainers.
5. Showing respect to opposing players, opposing coaches, and opposing parents.
6. Showing respect to officials.
7. Supporting the Coaching staff by recognizing that they, not you, are in charge of the tactical and technical decisions for the team.
8. Addressing any concerns you have with the coaching staff privately, away from others, in a respectful manner and not before a 24 hour “cooling off” period after a game or practice.
9. Supporting the decisions of the coaches and trainers and working with your child and not countermanding their authority by criticizing them or their decisions in front of your child or others.
10. Agreeing to maintain a sufficient distance of away from training and/or practice activities so as not to cause a distraction to your child or others.
11. Refraining from interfering with any coaching activities during training and games.
12. Avoiding criticizing, negative, or disparaging comments about any player, coach, or official.
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14. Avoiding coaching, directing, instructing, or lecturing of my child (and others) during games and practices.

15. Limiting my comments during games to cheering for players from both teams and not trying to be a sideline coach thus keeping the games fun for the players.
16. Assisting my child in timely arriving to practices and games.
17. Refraining from using foul or degrading language.
18. Refraining from engaging in any fighting or unsportsmanlike conduct during any Activity.
19. Refraining from engaging in any sideline arguments with any players, coaches, officials, or parents.
20. Refraining from any violent conduct or threats of violent conduct.
21. Avoiding all criminal conduct.
22. Placing the emotional and physical well-being of my child ahead of any personal desire to win.
23. Supporting a drug, alcohol and tobacco free sports environment for my child and all children, and agreeing to assist by refraining from their use at any and all Club Activities. (All are banned at all Cherry Hill Township Parks).
24. Recalling that the game is for the children and not for the adults.
25. Avoiding any conduct adverse to the interests of the team, including but not limited to negative comments about the team, advancing rumors surrounding the team or possible player movement, causing or encouraging players to leave the team.
26. Ensuring that a positive environment is maintained within the team.

Parents that are dissatisfied with the Club are free to leave and a release will be given to your child. If you create a negative environment to the team or on the sidelines of the Club you are in violation of this Code of Conduct and will be asked to leave rather than project your negativity to others.

Parents who are in violation of these rules are subject to penalty to be set by Travel Director in consultation with the Board, which may include, if circumstances and/or repeat offenses warrant, suspension or expulsion from the Club.

Parents who engage in any violent conduct or threats of violent conduct will immediately be suspended from (and may not appear at) all team Activities until such time as they shall meet with the Board of Directors to explain their actions. The Board will determine the penalty, which may include, if circumstances and/or repeat offenses warrant, suspension or expulsion from the Club.

Cards:

A parent receiving a yellow card (or if shown to the coach as a result of parent behavior) during a match will be: (a). suspended for (and may not appear at) the following match; (b). fined \$25; and (c). be responsible for any League fines levied for the card.

A parent receiving a red card (or if shown to the coach as a result of parent behavior) during a match will be: (a). suspended (and may not appear at) indefinitely until after the parents meets with the Board; (b). fined \$50; and (c). be responsible for any League fines levied for the card.