

## **Glacier United Soccer Club Coach Responsibilities and Commitment**

I understand that the mission of Glacier United is to provide a competitive youth soccer league for motivated players in the North Valley area. This league emphasizes a high level of individual skills, team play and sportsmanship. Age appropriate training with quality coaching is fundamental to developing a quality experience for all participants.

I will carry out the duties of the coach as outlined in the Glacier United Coaching Position Description. In addition:

I will be a positive role model for the players. I will demonstrate good sportsmanship by being respectful of **ALL** players, coaches, referees, parents and fans at every practice and every game.

I will remember that the game is for YOUTH and I will put that ahead of my personal desire to win. I will care more about the individual player, their safety and their personal development than winning the game. I will remember that **SOCCER IS FUN FOR THE PLAYER.**

I will be generous with praise when it is deserved. I will praise in public and I will correct in private. I will talk to the players in a voice I would use in a classroom.

I will organize practices that are fun and challenging for the players and work to give the players the opportunity to improve their skills and gain confidence.

I will continue to familiarize myself with the rules, techniques and strategies of soccer through attending clinics, obtaining a coaching license, reading, videos, etc.

I will maintain open communication with the players and with their parents. I will explain my goals and objectives as well as those of the association.

I understand that I am responsible for my players' actions on the field and, according to MYSA, responsible for the parents/fans behavior on the sideline. I will work to educate the players and their parents about their responsibilities.

I will always keep the players safety in mind during practice and at games as described in the Coaching Position Description and the Risk Management Tips for Coaches.

I will demand a sports environment that is free of drugs, tobacco and alcohol and will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.

I understand that the Smith Fields, Horine Fields and soccer fields in most towns do not allow dogs (even on a leash), tobacco drugs or alcohol.

I will communicate with the Glacier United Board of Directors and follow all Glacier United and MYSA rules or guidelines. I will keep the board informed of any issues or concerns I may have.

Coach Name \_\_\_\_\_

Coach Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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