

## Parent Code of Conduct

It is a privilege to have my/our child as a player in the Burke Athletic Club (BAC). I/we will set a good example to my/our child in his soccer development by adhering at all times to the following:

- Ø I/We will ensure that my/our conduct shall reflect courtesy, sportsmanship, good citizenship, and a positive example for the players.
- Ø I/We will respect the game of soccer and its Laws.
- Ø I/We will show respect for the authority of the referee, and the coaches even though I/we will sometimes disagree with their calls. I/We will refrain from questioning decisions of the referee.
- Ø I will not verbally, physically, or psychologically abuse any player, referee, coach, parent, spectator, or BAC official, even in jest.
- Ø I will not use alcohol, drugs, or tobacco products during any game or practice or at any facility where such use is prohibited by statute, or by regulations of the facility owner.
- Ø I/We will not use profanity at any youth, parent, coach, referee, or BAC official.
- Ø I/We will promote growth and development in a positive and supportive manner. I/We will demonstrate my/our commitment to these virtues by not using hostile, negative, foul or abusive language towards the referee, the opposing team, my/our own players or coaches.
- Ø I/We will show good sportsmanship before, during and after games. I/We understand that soccer is a game, and that the players/parents on the other team are my/our opponents, not my/our enemies.
- Ø I/We will not encourage our team or individual members of the team to intentionally injure or physically abuse a member of another team.
- Ø I/We will remain in the Marked Spectator Area, i.e., between the 18-yard line and at least 3 yards behind the touchline.
- Ø I/We will not use horns, wooden clappers, sirens, power megaphones and other noisemakers.
- Ø I/We will follow field/facility rules and regulations, respecting at all times the property of others. I will abide by BAC rules and regulations.
- Ø I/We will help my/our guests understand the *Laws of the Games* ( { HYPERLINK "http://www.fifa.com" } ) so that they can watch and enjoy the game better. I/We will be sure they understand that dissent is not permitted in the BAC.
- Ø I/We shall leave the coaching to the coach during the match. I/We shall do our best not to give our child instructions during the match.
- Ø I/We understand that improper behavior at a match may result in the coach receiving a yellow card caution or even a red card ejection. Consequently, a parent may be asked to leave the field by the referee, a club official, or the coach.
- Ø I/We understand that if I/we violate this Code of Conduct, club or league policies or procedures, or Federal, State or local laws, upon review, the BAC can, and will if necessary, suspend our individual privilege to watch our child play should I/we behave in a manner that is rude or otherwise offensive.

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**Signature** (Parent or Guardian)

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**Date**

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**Printed Name** of Person Signing Above