

# **PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT**

It is the policy of Atlético Santa Rosa that members shall conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike and positive manner when representing the Atlético Santa Rosa Club at games, practices, tournaments, and other club related activities. No member of the club shall act in a way that brings discredit to the club. Club members are defined as players, parents, guardians, coaches, trainers, and other club supporters.

The following acts or activities are strictly prohibited. These rules apply directly to any member of Atlético Santa Rosa. Any club member that is found to have committed any of the below list of offenses, may be subject to disciplinary action.

- Falsification of records.
- Use, consumption, and/or possession of any illegal drug or alcoholic beverages.
- Use of tobacco in any form may not be consumed within 200 yards of practices
- or games.
- Foul or offensive language or gestures.
- Engaging in illegal activities while traveling with the club.
- Inappropriate dress or attire that violates social views on decency.
- Offensive, language, or indecent acts.
- Hostile or abusive acts, language, or threats upon persons or officials.
- Firearms are prohibited.
- Littering.
- Provoking or inducing confrontation.
- Throwing, tossing, or propelling any object(s)
- Reckless or dangerous driving with club members present.

**Interference by Spectators:** Atlético considers encouraging of violent play, foul language, intimidation, or unsportsmanlike behavior from a spectator as interfering with the game.

It is the responsibility of the head coach, with the aid of the assistant coach and team manager, to ensure that all members of the team uphold this policy.

**Procedures:** In order to ensure compliance with this policy the following procedures shall be instituted:

## **Team Coaches Shall:**

- Exercise their authority to substitute any player who is in violation of this policy.
- Exercise their authority to direct that any non-player member of the club may be removed from the area of the field if that individual is in violation of this policy.



### The President Shall:

- Investigate all reports of involving a player.
- Initiate a corrective action plan with the team coach and manager.

#### **Atletico Santa Rosa Members Code of Conduct**

Each club member (player, parent, coach, board member, or any person with approved "membership" to ASR) will be responsible for conducting themselves in accordance with the policy, as well as the following rules:

- 1. As a member, I represent Atlético Santa Rosa, its teams, and Santa Rosa Community as a whole. My behavior must be exemplary at all games and club functions. I will conduct myself as a role model at all times. I understand that I am obligated to follow all ASR rules, and all rules of US Soccer, US Youth Soccer, NCPL and US Club Soccer.
- 2. I understand that as member, punctuality is critical to each team's success, and that I will do my part to assures that punctuality in the appropriate capacity (weather as a player or parent etc.).
- 3. I understand that I am responsible for and agree to pay all team fees and any fines. Failure to pay team fees/fines in a timely manner may result in being suspended from the team until said fees are paid.
- 4. I recognize the importance of volunteer treasurers and managers. They are essential to the development of each team and player. I agree to be respectful to these treasurers/managers and encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all.
- 5. I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, and officials at every game, practice, or other soccer events. I will applaud a good effort both in victory and defeat. I will refrain from using abusive or profane language at all times. I will accept decisions of the game officials on the field as being called fair, and to the best ability of said officials. I will not criticize officials, opposing teams, players, coaches, or fans by word of mouth or by gestures. I will never verbally abuse a player, parent, coach or official.
- 6. I will report all injuries to the coach in a timely manner. I will place the emotional and physical wellbeing of players and teammates ahead of my personal desire to win.
- 7. I will refrain from use of alcohol, tobacco and drugs at all youth soccer events. I hereby pledge to provide positive support, care, and encouragement for my child when participating in the ASR club by following the Code of Conduct.
- 8. I understand that if I do not follow these rules of conduct, my membership in the ASR Club may be affected, as determined by the club board or president.

**Play with Integrity:** One of the most essential lessons a child can learn from sports is to follow the rules. Make sure your team understands the rules and doesn't break them, even if they have the opportunity to get away with it.



**Respect the Officials:** It's important to teach not only our young athletes but also our parents and coaches to respect the referees and officials. Our kids have a watchful eye and take notice when parents and coaches are disrespectful.

**Be a Good Sport:** This means doing what we can to lift our teammates up and help them reach their potential. Being a good teammate means also being a good person on and off the field regardless of the outcome.

**Maintain Self-Control:** Keep your cool, have a positive attitude, and don't overreact during practice or games. Be encouraging of other players.

**Let the Coach's Coach:** Avoid chiming in with your coaching advice for the team, or other parents. Let those in charge run the plays.

# Penalties that may be imposed by the club include:

Repeated or serious violation of this policy may result in penalties including oral and written reprimand, monitoring of future behavior by an outside official, and/or probationary status. Any sanction shall be imposed only after appropriate warning, notice of alleged violation, and hearing before the appropriate officials.

- 1. If any game is interrupted because of behavioral issues, involved parties will have to comply with a NorCal PAD Committee suspension and a club suspension.
- 2. Depending on the gravity of the incident various suspensions may include the following disciplinary actions by the club:
- a) 3 months suspension from practices and games.
- b) 6 months suspension from practice and games.
- c) 1 year suspension from practice and games.
- d) Release from the club.

We have read the Code of Conduct and agree to abide by all terms and conditions.

Player Signature	Parent Signature	Date
Print Player Name	Print Parent Name	