

Southlake Player Code of Conduct



1. **PLAY FAIR:** Winning is without value if victory has been achieved unfairly or dishonestly. Cheating is easy. Playing fair requires courage and character, and is also more satisfying.
2. **OBSERVE THE LAWS OF THE GAME:** The rules of soccer are simple and easy to learn. Make an effort to learn them so you understand the game better. They are designed to make the game fun to play and fun to watch.
3. **COMPETITIVE ATHLETE:** Understand that you are a competitive athlete; this means, you will strive to be the hardest worker, best teammate, compete with the utmost sportsmanship and always carry a “Can do!” attitude.
4. **RESPECT OPPONENTS, TEAMMATES, COACHES, REFEREES, GOVERNING OFFICIALS, AND SPECTATORS:** Fair play means respect. Without opponents, there can be no game. They have the same rights as you have, including the right to be respected. You and your teammates form a team in which all members are equal. Referees are there to maintain discipline and Fair Play. Always accept their decisions without arguing and help them to help you enjoy the game more.
5. **WIN AND LOSE WITH DIGNITY:** Nobody wins all the time. You will win some games and you will lose others. Win and lose graciously. If you win, congratulate your opponent for a good effort. If you lose, don't look to pass the blame on anyone else, especially the officials. Congratulate your opponent with good grace and determine to use training to improve upon your last performance.
6. **SOUTHLAKE IS A PRIVILEGE:** Playing for Southlake is a privilege and not a right. Realize this privilege is due to your families', coaches', and community's commitment to youth soccer. We must all be stewards of this privilege to ensure Southlake continues for future players.
7. **SOUTHLAKE IS AN INCLUSIVE CLUB:** Southlake is made up of people from different backgrounds, needs, and perspectives. We include and respect people of varying races, ethnic backgrounds, languages, socioeconomic status, immigration status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identities. There is zero tolerance for behavior to harass or bully individuals.

I understand and agree, that my conduct can be evaluated by the Southlake' coaches. Any misconduct may be brought before the GRTYSA board for action deemed inappropriate by such governing body and can include dismissal from Southlake.

Player Name (Print)

Player Signature

Date

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Parent/Guardian Name (Print)

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