

CLUB ITALIA COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT

I, _____, as a Club Italia coach, hereby agree to:

- Develop the players' knowledge, understanding and ability of soccer through training, and well-delivered practices and games.
- Actively encourage and support fair play and sportsmanship within the game.
- Learn the game. Develop my knowledge of soccer through coaching clinics, books, videos and playing soccer.
- If Club Italia pays for any coaching licenses or classes for a coach, the coach must commit to Club Italia for a minimum of 2 years. In order for Club Italia to pay/reimburse the coach for any licenses or classes, he/she must pass the course.
- **A coach that leaves Club Italia regardless of terms must give a one year notice and:**
 - **May not move the team (unless the team was formed prior to joining Club Italia and 60 % of the current team consists of those players) to another club/league.**
 - **Reimburses the Club for all training classes paid by Club Italia.**
 - **Refrains from slandering the Club and any of its officials.**
- Respect the game, your opponents, the rules and the officials. May question a referee's decisions or intentions respectfully.
- Equipment purchased by the coach belongs to the coach. Equipment purchased by the Club or by the teams fund raiser belongs to the team/club.
- Be prepared with team handouts, team rosters, phone numbers, travel arrangements, and any other relevant information for the team. "If I fail to prepare, I have failed."
- Make the playing and practice environment safe and manageable, and to help with the upkeep and maintenance of the facilities and equipment at all times.
- **Coaches who miss scheduled meetings will be assessed a \$25.00 fine per incident. The Club Italia Board may vote to dismiss the cost.**
- Communicate any problems or questions to the Director of Coaching.
- **Recognize that you are ultimately accountable for the behavior and actions of the players on the team, their parents/spectators, during and after games, within the local vicinity of the field. Coaches and Managers or any Club Italia Board member have the right to ask for removal of any parent or player if they are acting in a manner detrimental to Club Italia and the league. Coaches be aware that you may be subject to a yellow/red card for the conduct of your parents/spectators on the field and sidelines. Coaches have the right to delegate non-coaching responsibilities to other members of the team with the understanding that the coach will be responsible for their actions. It is the coaches' responsibility, or assistant coach to direct practices or games.**
- Focus on the development of players and not on personal glories through the winning of games. I will not live my glory through the players.
- Keep regular contact with the parents and keep them well informed throughout the season.
- Accept defeat as graciously as winning and always give positive feedback to players. 100% effort is invaluable.
- Never interact with players under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Refrain from physically or verbally abusing any player, coach or parent.
- All coaches must turn in a financial statement for each season (spring, fall & winter).
- **All soccer uniforms, soccer bags, soccer backpacks, jump suits, hoodies, tee shirts, etc... are ordered thru Club Italia only.**
- Love the game of soccer.

I understand that violations of this code may be referred to the Director of Coaches or the Club Italia Board and Appeals Committee for possible sanctions. These sanctions could include being banned from divisional games, other team events, or from all league functions.

PRINT NAME: _____

SIGNED: _____ DATE: _____

Thank you,
CLUB ITALIA SPORTS ORGANIZATION